



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF

MILLIS MASS

For the FISCAL YEAR

ENDING

DECEMBER

31

1945

MILLIS MEMORIAL R.R. STATION
AND TOWN OFFICE

LIBRARY

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TOWN OF MILLIS, MASS.
IN UNITE

James W. Payson

The Sixtieth Annual Report
of the
OFFICERS
of the
TOWN OF MILLIS



for the
Year Ending Dec. 31
1945

THE CHRONICLE PRESS, North Attleborough, Mass.

1946

Park Commissioners

James LaCroix, 1946 Ralph H. Welch, 1947
Charles DeAngelis, 1948

Cemetery Commissioners

Evan F. Richardson, 1946 Floyd A. Russell, 1947
Rudolph F. King, 1948

Library Trustees

Thomas A. Congdon, 1946 Martin J. Power, 1947
Bertha L. Shepardson, 1948

Constables

Henry J. Cassidy	John F. Sullivan
Tax Collector	William B. Esselen
Tree Warden	John E. Skarp
Moderator	Rudolph F. King

Planning Board

Charles Van S. Purdy, 1946 Henry J. Lewandowski, 1947
Lawrence J. Reardon* Howard A. Payson*
Rudolph F. King*

Chief of Police

Arthur F. Scholl

*Appointed by the Selectmen

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR**Finance Committee**

George Sarris	Timothy J. McCarthy
Thomas S. Lydon	Walter W. Hoar
Stanley Sheldon	

Memorial Day Committee

Ralph P. Dunn	Leonard Lindahl
Laurence A. Mott	J. Francis Sheehan
Merle A. Browne	Walter W. Hoar
Lewis E. Richardson	Patrick McLaughlin
James Cribby	

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

Town Accountant	Lawrence J. Reardon
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Registrars of Voters

Teresa Toner, 1946	Sidney W. Choate, 1947
William J. Christian, 1948	

Board of Fire Engineers

Charles Lipsett*	Moody J. Richardson
John J. Ward	Delmont C. Adams

Public Weighers

John R. Labaree	Charles Upton
Morris Mushnick	

Fence Viewers

Elbridge Clark	Moody J. Richardson
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Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Otto Lindahl	Frank Hamm
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Inspector of Slaughtering	Arthur F. Scholl
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Sealer of Weights and Measures	John J. Ward
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Forest Warden	Moody J. Richardson
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Cattle Inspector	Timothy J. McCarthy
Milk Inspector	John J. Clancy
Field Driver	Arthur F. Scholl
Dog Officer	Henry J. Cassidy
Superintendent of Streets	William F. Cunningham

Special Police

Morris Mushnick*	Leo Cassidy
William F. Cunningham	Henry J. Cassidy
John F. Sullivan	Coleman Hogan

*Resigned

RESULTS OF THE BALLOTS CAST AT THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

February 12, 1945

Moderator, one year, Rudolph F. King	603
Town Clerk, one year, Lloyd C. King	604
Treasurer, one year, John W. Burtt	552
Tax Collector, one year, William B. Esselen	553
Board of Public Welfare, three years, Harry E. King	563
Assessor, three years, Millard B. LaCroix	532
Selectmen, three years,	
W. Harold Simpson	485
George Joseph Smith	186
Blanks	55
Selectmen, two years,	
James LaCroix	54
Morris Mushnick	243
Harry N. Walker	397

School Committee, three years,	
Ralph P. Dunn	288
Elsie I. Ramsdell	338
Blanks	100
Tree Warden, one year, John E. Skarp	558
Library Trustee, three years, Bertha L. Shepardson	518
Cemetery Commissioner, three years, Rudolph F. King	571
Water Commissioner, three years, Lloyd C. King	555
Sewer Commissioner, three years, George DeAngelis	508
Park Commissioner, three years, Charles DeAngelis	502
Planning Board, three years,	
James W. Payson	2
W. Ross Simpson	1
George Sarris	1
Stanley Sheldon	1
J. Francis Sheehan	1
Harold L. Phillips	1
George Y. Robinson	1
Frank Hamm	1
Charles DeAngelis	1
James LaCroix	1
Charles A. Smith	1
Lloyd Lipsett	1
Planning Board, two years,	
Ralph P. Dunn	1
James W. Payson	1
Thomas S. Lydon	1
Constables, one year,	
Henry L. Cassidy	563
John J. Sullivan	518

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
HELD IN THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM,
MILLIS, MASSACHUSETTS,
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1945

The annual business meeting of the Town of Millis was held in the High School Auditorium Monday evening, Feb. 12, 1945, and called to order at 7:45 P. M., by Moderator, Rudolph F. King, who read the Town Warrant calling this meeting which was signed by the Selectmen, Michael E. Collins, Winthrop P. Mandell and W. Harold Simpson, and Attest by Henry J. Cassidy, Constable.

Art. 1.—To choose a Moderator for one year, a Town Clerk for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, Two Constables for one year, One Selectman for two years, One Selectman for three years, One member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, One member of Planning Board for two years, Two members of the Planning Board for three years, One Assessor for Public Library for three years, One Cemetery Commissioner for three years, One Park Commissioner for three years, One Sewer Commissioner for three years, One Tax Collector for one year, One Tree Warden for one year, One Water Commissioner for three years.

Town Clerk, Lloyd C. King, read the result of the Annual Town Election of officers held in the Grange Hall, Millis, during the hours of 5:30 A. M. and 2:45 P. M., and the Moderator then declared the several town officers elected as read by the Clerk.

Art. 2.—To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

VOTED that the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the Annual Re-

port of the Town of Millis, Mass., for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1944.

Art. 3—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of law and order, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$3,400.00 be appropriated for the maintenance of law and order.

Art. 4—To see what disposition the Town will make of the money refunded by the County on account of dog licenses.

VOTED that the money refunded by the County on account of dog licenses be transferred to the Library Department.

Art. 5—To appropriate money for all necessary town expenses, including a sum sufficient to pay all Town Officers' salaries.

This article was taken up in three sections and it was voted collectively under three separate headings to appropriate money as follows:

1. Various Town Departments
2. Expenses of Town Officers
3. Salaries of Town Officers

DEPARTMENTS:

School	\$50,300.00
Debt and Interest	9,000.00
Highways and Bridges	9,000.00
Water	8,000.00
Old Age Assistance in addition to Federal Grant	16,000.00
Old Age Administration	450.00

Aid to Dependent Children, in addition to Federal Grant	10,000.00	
Aid to Dependent Children Administration	150.00	
Welfare	6,300.00	
Soldiers' Relief	2,000.00	
Fire Department	4,000.00	
Street Lights	2,900.00	
Removal of Snow	5,000.00	
Cemetery Expense, plus trust fund interest money	1,000.00	
Sewer Maintenance	400.00	
Public Library	300.00	
Park Department	1,000.00	
Memorial Park	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$125,900.00

EXPENSES:

Town Office	\$2,000.00	
Treasurer	300.00	
Tax Collector	325.00	
Tax Collector, Tax Taking	200.00	
Election Officers	160.00	
Tax Assessors	975.00	
Town Clerk	350.00	
Board of Registrars	125.00	
Weights and Measures	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,465.00

SALARIES:

Tax Collector	\$775.00
Accountant	600.00
Assessors	500.00
Treasurer	450.00
Selectmen	300.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	300.00
Fire Commissioners	200.00

Water Commissioners	200.00	
Water Registrar	200.00	
Sewer Commissioners	100.00	
School Committee	150.00	
Animal Inspector	281.25	
Election of Officers	70.00	
Town Office Janitor	250.00	
Board of Public Welfare	250.00	
Sealer	50.00	
Inspector of Milk	50.00	
Board of Registrars	30.00	
Town Clerk	175.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,931.25
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		\$135,296.25

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1200.00 be appropriated for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1945.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Tree Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated for the Tree Department.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Board of Health, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Motion that the sum of \$750.00 be appropriated for the use of the Board of Health.

The Moderator being in doubt on this vote, Monitors Lawrence Reardon and James LaCroix were appointed and by a rising count of "Yes" 30—"No" 0, the motion was CARRIED.

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission acting in conjunction with the State and County, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Motion made by the Finance Committee that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission acting in conjunction with the State and County.

Amendment was adopted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be changed to \$900.00.

VOTED that the sum of \$900.00 be appropriated for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission, acting in conjunction with the State and County.

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, said sum being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$733.44 be appropriated to cover the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the Town Clock, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Motion made by the Finance Committee that the sum of \$25.00 be appropriated for the care and maintenance of the Town Clock.

Amendment offered and adopted that the sum of \$25.00 be increased to \$150.00.

VOTED that the sum of \$150.00 be appropriated for the care and maintenance of the Town Clock.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a Police Car, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$850.00 be appropriated for the purchase of a police car.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to accept the Edwin and Abigail Holbrook Cemetery Trust Fund of 1944, \$100.00, or act in any manner relating thereto.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Nancy Holbrook Cemetery Trust Fund for the Myer Lot of 1944, \$100.08, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town accept the 1944 Edwin and Abigail Holbrook Cemetery Trust Fund of \$100.00.

VOTED that the Town accept the Nancy Holbrook Cemetery Trust Fund for the Myer Lot, of 1944, in the amount of \$100.08.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the collection and disposal of garbage, this sum to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Health Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$800.00 be appropriated for the collection and disposal of garbage, this sum to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Health Department.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make such transfers from the Highway Machinery Operating Fund as in their judgment is deemed

necessary during the ensuing year and to use said funds for the purpose of repairing, maintenance, rental and purchasing of highway machinery, equipment and trucks. or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town authorize the Selectmen to make such transfers from the Highway Machinery Operating Fund as in their judgment is deemed necessary during the ensuing year and to use said funds for the purpose of repairing, maintenance, rental and purchasing of highway machinery, equipment and trucks.

Art. 16—To see what action the Town will take relative to the report of the Insurance Committee as printed in the Annual Town Report; appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Motion offered that the Town accept the report of the Insurance Committee as printed in the Annual Town Report.

Mr. Osgood T. Dean gave a detailed explanation of the report.

Amendment to motion offered and same was ADOPTED that the enforcement of the recommendations in this report be left to the judgment of the Board of Selectmen.

VOTED to accept the report of the Insurance Committee as printed in the Annual Town Report and that the enforcement of the recommendations in this report be left to the judgment of the Board of Selectmen.

At this time in the proceedings, the Moderator brought up the subject of the home coming of the men and women in the Armed Forces from Millis and with the permission of the citizens present invited Mr. Charles E. Smith to speak on the subject.

Mr. Smith stated that on the evening of February 6th representatives from all the Churches and

various organizations of the Town gathered in the High School Library and discussed ways and means of obtaining funds for a suitable remembrance for the boys and girls of the Armed Forces upon their return home at the completion of the war. As Chairman of this Committee he said that he wanted every one in the Town to feel that they are a part of this Committee, particularly those who have relatives in the service. At the present time there are about 275 in the service and he hoped between \$6,000.00 and \$7,000.00 would be raised. Mr. Smith made a strong appeal for help from every citizen on this project both financially and otherwise.

The Moderator then introduced the Commander of the Local American Legion Post, Mr. Ralph Dunn, who explained in more or less detail a project for raising money to be known as the "Dollar Club" whereby any one subscribing at least a dollar will receive a small pin to wear. Mr. Dunn appointed Mr. Rudolph F. King and Mr. Floyd A. Russell to serve with him on this particular committee.

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar, or act in any manner relating thereto.

It was VOTED that the Town authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar.

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of Gypsy Moth and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Leaf Beetle, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$950.00 be appropriated for the suppression of Gypsy Moth and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Leaf Beetle.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will appropriate \$300.00 to provide post quarters for the Millis Post 208, the American Legion (as provided under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 9, as amended by Acts of 1923, Chapter 122), or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated to provide post quarters for the Millis Post 208, the American Legion (as provided under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 9, as amended by Acts of 1923, Chapter 122).

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following curfew by-law for the duration of the war or for such reasonable and proper time as might be deemed necessary thereafter, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Section 1—No person under the age of seventeen years shall be, or remain in or upon the streets or public places of the Town in the night time after nine o'clock P. M. unless such person is accompanied by parent, guardian, or other person having legal custody of such minor person, or in the performance of an errand or duty directed by such parent, guardian or other person having such legal custody of such minor person.

Section 2—No parent, guardian, or other person having legal custody and care of any person under seventeen years of age shall allow or permit any such child, ward or other person under such age while in legal custody, to go, be in, or upon any of the streets or public places in said Town in the night time after nine o'clock P. M. unless there exists a reasonable necessity therefor.

Section 3—Whoever violates the provisions of either of the foregoing sections shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Ten (\$10.00) dollars.

Finance Committee made no recommendation.

VOTED to dismiss the Article.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to renew the roof covering on the old sections of the Consolidated School Building, or take any action thereon.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,735.00 be appropriated to renew the roof covering on the old sections of the Consolidated School Building.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to paint the outside woodwork of the Consolidated School Building, or take any action thereon.

VOTED to dismiss this Article, as recommended by the Finance Committee, until such time as better material can be purchased and perhaps have it a part of a Post-War Project.

Art. 23—To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$200.00 be appropriated for Memorial Day.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,240.80 from the road machinery account to be used for road machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to transfer the sum of \$2,240.80 from the Road Machinery account to be used for Road Machinery purposes.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used for a reserve fund, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$4,000.00 be appropriated to be used for a reserve fund.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of a Service Board, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for the maintenance of a Service Board.

Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a Post War Program, to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Post War Committee, as appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Finance Committee had no recommendation.

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Michael E. Collins, explained that there were plans completed ready for action on a project to carry Acorn Street through and it was VOTED that the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated for a Post War Program, to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Post War Committee, as appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 28—To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to lay out Morse Avenue as a Public Way in accordance with a petition presented for that purpose signed by twenty-three (23) voters, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Finance Committee had no recommendation.

A general discussion was held in regard to the laying out of this street according to the Town By-Laws and running town water through same.

VOTED that this Article be dismissed.

Art. 29—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for removal of loam on a part of Richardson's Meadow, which was given to the Town, to be used as a skating rink, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated for removal of loam on a part of Richardson's Meadow, which was given to the Town to be used as a skating rink.

Art. 30—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

No recommendation by the Finance Committee.

Motion made that the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purchase of war bonds in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

By rising count "Yes" 10, "No" 7, the motion was CARRIED.

Art. 31—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the cash balance from the various departments into the general cash, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to transfer the cash balance from the various departments into the general cash.

Art. 32—To see if the Town will vote to allow the Assessors to use the free cash balance in the Treasury in making up their tax rate, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to allow the Assessors to use the free cash balance in the Treasury in making up their tax rate.

Art. 33—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to

borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

VOTED to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

VOTED to adjourn at 9:30 P. M.

LLOYD C. KING,

Town Clerk

TABULATIONS OF 1945 APPROPRIATIONS

Art. 3—Law and Order \$3,400.00

Art. 5—Town Expenses:

DEPARTMENTS

School	\$50,300.00
Debt and Interest	9,000.00
Highways and Bridge	9,000.00
Water	8,000.00
Old Age Assistance in addition to Federal Grant	16,000.00
Old Age Adminitration	450.00
Aid to Dependent Children in addition to Federal Grant	10,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children Adminitration	150.00
Welfare	6,300.00
Soldiers' Relief	2,000.00
Fire Department	4,000.00
Street Lights	2,900.00
Removal of Snow	5,000.00
Cemetery Expense, plus trust fund interest money	1,000.00
Sewer Maintenance	400.00
Public Library	300.00
Park Department	1,000.00
Memorial Park	100.00
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	\$125,900.00

EXPENSES

Town Office	2,000.00
Treasurer	300.00
Tax Collector	325.00
Tax Collector, Tax Taking	200.00
Election Officers	160.00

Tax Assessors	975.00
Town Clerk	350.00
Board of Registrars	125.00
Weights and Measures	30.00
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	\$4,465.00

SALARIES

Tax Collector	775.00
Accountant	600.00
Assessors	500.00
Treasurer	450.00
Selectmen	300.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	300.00
Fire Commissioners	200.00
Water Commissioners	200.00
Water Registrar	200.00
Sewer Commissioners	100.00
School Committee	150.00
Animal Inspector	281.25
Election Officers	70.00
Town Office Janitor	250.00
Board of Public Welfare	250.00
Sealer	50.00
Inspector Milk	50.00
Board of Registrars	30.00
Town Clerk	175.00
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	\$4,931.25

\$135,296.25

Art. 6—Visiting Nurse	1,200.00
Art. 7—Tree Department	500.00
Art. 8—Board of Health	750.00
Art. 9—Special Repairs on Streets	900.00

Art. 10—Norfolk County Hospital	733.44
Art. 11—Maintenance of Town Clock	150.00
Art. 12—Police Car	850.00
Art. 14—Garbage Collection	800.00
Art. 18—Gypsy Moth	950.00
Art. 19—Legion Post Quarters	300.00
Art. 21—Renew Roofing School Building	1,735.00
Art. 23—Memorial Day	200.00
Art. 25—Reserve Fund	4,000.00
Art. 26—Maintenance of Service Board	100.00
Art. 27—Post War Program	300.00
Art. 29—Skating Rink	300.00
Art. 30—War Bonds for Rehabilitation Fund	3,000.00
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Total appropriations	\$155,464.69

Art. 24—\$2,240.80 transferred from Road Machinery Account to Road Machinery Purposes.

WARRANT

FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, SS.

Greeting:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis, in said County,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Millis, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet on Monday, July 23, 1945, at 7:30 P. M. in the High School Auditorium, in said Millis, then and there to Act on the Following Articles, viz:

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P. M. by Moderator, R. F. King, with 61 voters present.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to lay a Water Main on Morse Ave., appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 1. was passed over on account of 10% of the voters not being present.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Charles W. Demery Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$50.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Charles W. Gilmore Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$100.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Edgar McCallum Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$300.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Joseph Prophet Cemetery Trust Fund of June 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$50.00.

Total—\$500.00.

VOTED to accept the Charles W. Gilmore Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1945, of \$100.00.

VOTED to accept the Edgar McCallum Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1945, of \$300.00.

VOTED to accept the Charles W. Demery Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1945, of \$50.00.

VOTED to accept the Joseph Prophet Cemetery Trust Fund of June 1945, of \$50.00.

Meeting was recessed for fifteen minutes so that the Moderator might confer with the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and the Water Commisioners. At the expiration of fifteen minutes the Moderator again called the meeting to order but there still not being a quorum present, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting until Monday, August 6, at 7:30 P. M.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P. M.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 12th day of July, A.D. 1945.

(SEAL)

W. HAROLD SIMPSON,
HARRY N. WALKER,
MICHAEL E. COLLINS,

Selectmen of Millis

A True Copy. Attest:

JOHN F. SULLIVAN, *Constable of Millis*, July 14, 1945

NORFOLK, S.S.

Millis, July 14, 1945.

By virtue of this Warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of Millis of said meeting at said time and place as herein directed.

JOHN F. SULLIVAN,

Constable of Millis

Attest:

LLOYD C. KING,

Town Clerk

TOWN WARRANT

ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Millis, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet on Monday, August 6, 1945, at 7:30 P. M. in the High School Auditorium, in said Millis, then and there to Act on the Following Article, viz:

Meeting was called to order by Moderator, Rudolph F. King, at 7:30 P. M. A count was made of the voters present in the hall and 109 voters were recorded as present. This not being a quorum, a recess of fifteen minutes was declared

by the Moderator. At the expiration of fifteen minutes the meeting was again called to order by the Moderator, and 125 voters were counted present which constituted a quorum.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to lay a Water Main on Morse Ave., appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

It was VOTED to lay a Water Main on Morse Avenue and that a sum sufficient for this purpose be transferred from the balance of the Orchard Street Extension.

This was a rising vote and it was unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P. M.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 24th day of July, A.D. 1945.

W. HAROLD SIMPSON,
HARRY N. WALKER,
MICHAEL E. COLLINS,
Selectmen of Millis

A True Copy. Attest:

HENRY J. CASSIDY, *Constable of Millis*, July 28, 1945

NORFOLK, SS.

By virtue of the Warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of Millis of said meeting at said time and place as herein directed.

HENRY J. CASSIDY,
Constable of Millis

Attest:

LLOYD C. KING,
Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1945

Date	Name	Parents
1919		
Dec. 5	Doris Warsofsky	Joseph and Ida
1925		
Dec. 23	Leon Sabol	Nicholas and Julia
1937		
April 12	William Harold Keough	R. Harold and Agres
1939		
July 17	Josephine Wallace McFetridge	Wallace and Celia
1944		
Nov. 20	Deborah Diana Sawyer	John F. and Florence M.
Nov. 24	———— Lockman	William and Miguel
Dec. 15	Donald Loring Brown	Loring and Anita
Dec. 20	Judith Ann Rivers	Arthur C. and Marion E.
1945		
Jan. 7	Elaine Marie Lawyer	Donald P. and Bernice C.
Jan. 22	Bernadette Rita Braun	Leo H. and Rita P.
Feb. 4	Charlene Lou Smith	Charles A. and Ruth I.
Feb. 9	Thomas Goodsell Girard	Armond L. and Dorothy
Feb. 16	Donna Lee Harcovitz	William and Virginia
Feb. 27	Elaine Myrna Winiker	Joseph and Ruth
March 4	Thomas George Dmytryck	Joseph and Lillian T.
March 14	Freeman Leslie Morey, Jr.	Freeman L. and Lillian
March 17	Ronald Anthony Dahill	Raymond A. and Evelyn F.
March 28	———— Brodeur	Leroy F. and Aldora B.
March 28	———— Brodeur	Leroy F. and Aldora B.
May 6	Norman Sibley Hatt	John H. and Elizabeth S.
May 18	Carl David Johnson	Carl H. and Mary
June 11	Linda Ann Joyce	William R. and Priscilla
June 18	Roger Pierce Cheever	David and Ellen
June 19	Dorothy Ann Marchand	Victor J. and Dorothy M.
June 21	Claire Elaine Millis	Robert J. and Claire A.
June 23	Leslie Manning Simpson	Clarence L. and Agnes

BIRTHS RECORDED—(Continued)

Date	Parents	Name
June 23	Susan Shannon Ford	Joseph L. and Edith B.
June 28	Claire Marjorie Works	Herbert F. and Helen G.
July 11	Ann Ellen Billbrough	Rex and Ruth C.
July 20	Joanne Marie Simmons	Joseph M. and Jessie M.
July 28	Francis Edward Washer	Morris H. and Della
Aug. 18	————— Lewandowski	Zigmund and Maria C.
Aug. 19	Donna Marie Gaillonardo	William J. and Emily F.
Sept. 6	Kathleen Mary Whelan	William L. and Alice
Sept. 27	Robert Leland Tate	Ivan R. and Alice L.
Oct. 17	Allan Maus	William and Irma M.
Nov. 1	Carroll Ann Frye	Robert H. and Mary T.
Nov. 13	Robert Joseph Kenney	Edward and Eleanor
Nov. 19	Nancy Faye Mael	Edward I. and Esther
Nov. 22	Carol Ruth Goodman	Louis and Ethel

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1945

Date	Name	Residence	By Whom	Where
1945				
Jan. 27	Vincent Arthur Molloy Dorothy Agnes Ferguson	Franklin Millis	Rev. John N. Cunningham	Millis
Feb. 11	Henry John Lewandowski Meeri Ester Sorjanen	Millis Norwood	Rev. John N. Cunningham	Millis
March 24	James Francis Devine Flora Irene Mann	Millis Millis	Rev. John H. Hatt	Millis
April 13	Mortimer Gordon Miriam Winiker	Brooklyn, N. Y. Millis	Rabbi Henry Hearst	Millis
May 5	Karl Robert Heck Louise Clara Fisher	Millis Jamaica Plain	Rev. Arlin A. Mars	Roxbury
May 20	Max Mills Sophie Sidman	Dorchester Millis	Rabbi Abraham J. Walpert	Millis
June 16	Robert D. Frink Katherine S. Powers	Millis Medway	Rev. Ralph W. Farrell	Medway
June 19	Charles J. Herren Evelyn L. Rainville	Virginia Millis	Rev. John N. Cunningham	Millis
June 30	Arthur S. McFitridge Alice Heustis	Millis Millis	Rev. John H. Hatt	Millis
June 30	Clyde D. Strosnider Caroline Quinn	Baltimore, Md. Millis	Rev. John H. Hatt	Millis
July 4	Marshall H. Ackley Minnie Staller	Millis Medfield	Charles Elliot Worden Justice of the Peace	Boston
July 17	Stuart B. Osborne Pauline L. Smith	Medway Millis	Rev. Ivan S. Nowlan	West Medway

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1945

Date	Name	Residence	By Whom	Where
1945				
July 18	John Vincent Curran, Jr. Lucille Marie Costello	Millis Franklin	Rev. Cornelius J. Hogan	Franklin
July 20	Bert Paterson Eddy Florence Lillian Warren	Columbus, Ohio Millis	Rev. John N. Cunningham	Millis
July 21	Charles Heath Warren Mary Ruth Sherman	Millis Boston	Rev. Henry P. Fisher	Boston
Aug. 19	Chester Leavitt Francis Simbol	Worcester Millis	Rabbi Gusion Appel	Brookline
Aug. 26	Joseph Seronde, Jr. Adele Herter	Hamden, Conn. Millis	Rev. Joal J. Curtis	Millis
Sept. 8	James L. McCarthy Barbara J. Bemis	Millis Spencer	Rev. Lionel E. Beaudet	Ayer
Sept. 9	Donald F. Osborne Lillian M. Brodeur	Medway Millis	Rev. T. Leonard Lewis	Bellingham
Sept. 21	Lewis Weinberg Betsy Leavitt	Tampa, Fla. Lynn	Rabbi Dana B. Alpert	Millis
Oct. 6	Charles Raymond Frink Antoinette Toubeau	Millis Medfield	Rev. Francis L. Shea	Medfield
Oct. 12	Sheldon Richard Carlson Gertrude S. LaCroix	Medfield Millis	Rev. Ivan S. Nowlan	Millis
Oct. 13	Richard C. Barrett Elizabeth J. Holden	Millis Medway	Rev. Warren G. Hunt	Medway
Oct. 20	Arthur T. Wehner Rachael Elizabeth Kilmain	Saginaw, Mich. Millis	Rev. John F. Donovan	Millis

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1945

Date	Name	Residence	By Whom	Where
1945				
Nov. 11	John J. Yarush Catherine Alasavick	Millis South Boston	Rev. Francis A. Vermanskis	South Boston
Nov. 11	Perry P. McRobert Jean Ellen Payson	Natick Millis	Rev. Arthur S. Payzant	Millis
Nov. 17	James Thomas Small, Jr. Marguerite Ann Powers	Millis Medway	Rev. Ralph W. Farrell	Medway
Nov. 22	Ralph G. Bennett Virginia H. Lougee	Millis Millis	Rev. W. Chester Jostrom	Millis
Nov. 22	Raymond Daniel Fontaine Hazel Corrine Clark	Millis Millis	Rev. J. Arthur Budding	Millis
Nov. 22	George Marshall Payson Mary Reef Snyder	Millis Mt. Carmel, Ill.	Rev. Arthur S. Payzant	Millis
Nov. 24	Frank S. White Florence Macey Thorndike	Milton Millis	Rev. Harold Belshaw	Millis
Nov. 25	Robert W. Earl Elizabeth A. Bennett	Milford Millis	Rev. Ray S. Hubbard	Millis
Dec. 2	Abraham Welner Ethel Ruth Nelson	Medway Millis	Rabbi Mordecia Bressler	Millis
Dec. 27	Charles A. Smith N. Teresa Toner	Millis Millis	Rev. Frederick J. Mulrey	Millis
Dec. 29	Charles J. Murphy, Jr. Cecelia C. McCarthy	Somerville Millis	Rev. John W. Connor	Millis
Dec. 29	Jefferson P. Hicks Marguerite A. Gavin	Ramora, Ala. Millis	Rev. John N. Cunningham	Millis

BURIALS IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1945

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death
1944			
Dec. 22	Carrie Estelle Woodsmansee	73 2 17	Greenfield
1945			
Feb. 6	Kenneth Paul Gilmore	— 4 1	Natick
April 10	John Nash Ives	71 4 21	Boston
April 24	Harry G. Ward, Jr.	40 — —	Dedham
May 4	Frederick Milton Daniels	72 2 18	Milford
June 23	Carmen Halley	11 — —	Framingham
June 28	Eva Clark Swenson	72 5 6	Belfast, Me.
July 24	George Clinton Lingley	75 6 9	Putnam, Conn.

LIST OF JURORS FOR 1945

Delmont C. Adams	Joseph I. Gannon
Talbot Baker	Chester LaCroix
Richard Bigelow	Robert Mattox
August Botterman	John P. McDonald
Merle A. Browne	Morris Mushnick
George D. Cassidy	George P. Olsen
Henry J. Cassidy	Charles Van S. Purdy
Patrick J. Clancy	Alfred F. Rainville
Elbridge T. Clark	Edward L. Shropshire
William F. Cunningham	John E. Skarp
Charles M. Cushman	James T. Small
Ralph P. Dunn	Raymond D. Woodmansee
Thomas J. Ferguson	

DEATHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1945

Date		Name	Age		Place of Death
Jan.	7	Katherine Wilhermea Johnson	77	— —	Norwood
Jan.	10	Otto Brushak	75	10 11	Millis
Jan.	26	Laura Belle Dunn	81	6 6	Randolph, Vt.
March	12	Alice Dennis Dow	76	11 7	Boston
March	21	Abraham Gordon	77	— —	Woburn
March	28	Baby Brodeur	—	— —	Millis
March	28	Baby Brodeur	—	— —	Millis
April	8	Anna Foster Albee	81	10 3	Millis
April	21	Fred Jones Wight	72	4 5	Medfield
May	8	Ralph Preist Dunn	51	5 5	Randolph, Vt.
May	16	Jennie C. Moate	86	2 0	Fitchburg
May	21	Majorique LeSage	61	3 11	Millis
June	19	Mary Huberman	70	— —	West Roxbury
July	13	Mary Ellen Cassidy	74	6 16	Holliston
July	21	Lillian F. Smith	84	6 —	Manchester, N. H.
Aug.	18	Baby Lewandowski	—	— —	Medway
Aug.	29	George Cornelius Bassier	37	10 30	Franklin
Sept.	11	Joseph Neustadt	82	— —	Woburn
Sept.	15	Mary Eden Tighe	64	1 12	Medway
Oct.	1	Winthrop Pierce Mandell	52	3 28	Cambridge
Oct.	3	Alphonse P. Cugini	61	4 14	Milford
Oct.	28	Bridget Foley Clancy	95	10 17	Mattapan
Nov.	3	Baby Cote	—	— —	Boston
Nov.	7	Thomas Henry Owens	68	5 5	Norfolk

MILLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

We recommend an appropriation of \$300 besides the Dog Tax.

RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$300.00	
Dog Tax refunded	291.57	
G. W. Woolvett Trust Fund Interest	6.99	
Fines	22.08	
	<hr/>	\$620.64

EXPENDITURES

Sibbel Purdy, Librarian	\$288.00	
J. Francis Sheehan, Postmaster,		
Box rent	3.00	
J. Francis Sheehan, Postmaster,		
Postal cards and stamps	2.46	
W. A. Young, Sr.—Repairing stepladder	.75	
American Library Association—		
Book List	3.00	
Herman Goldberger Agency—		
Magazines	31.45	
Crosset & Williams, Publishers—Book	1.65	
The New England News Company—		
Books	268.25	
	<hr/>	\$598.56
Fine money turned over to Town Treasurer		22.08

THOMAS A. CONGDON,
MARTIN J. POWER,
BERTHA L. SHEPARDSON,

Trustees

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN TO THE TRUSTEES
FOR 1945

Number of books circulated during year	7730
Adult fiction	3302
Adult non-fiction	622
Juvenile	2029
Juvenile non-fiction	415
Magazines	1362
Books borrowed from Division of Public Libraries	10
Largest daily circulation	120
Average daily circulation	51
Number of Adult borrowers	392
Number of Juvenile borrowers	335

SIBBEL PURDY,
Librarian

ANNUAL REPORT OF FIELD DRIVER

I have investigated eight (8) complaints on cows and horses.

ARTHUR F. SCHOLL,
Field Driver

Report of the Water Commissioners

To the Citizens of Millis:

The Board of Water Commissioners submit the following report for 1945:

The Morse Avenue Extension has been completed and the four houses to be supplied are connected. The proper contract with the Town was signed by the water takers and easements were signed by all the property owners on Morse Avenue giving permission to lay and maintain this water main.

A number have asked for renewal of their services and as yet we have been unable to make these renewals on account of the lack of help. We hope to be able to take care of all these in 1946.

WATER PUMPING IN 1945

Month	Gallons	Rainfall
January	6,730,000	3.09
February	5,970,000	4.74
March	6,890,000	1.96
April	6,550,000	2.83
May	6,700,000	5.01
June	6,920,000	6.04
July	7,330,000	3.01
August	7,590,000	3.23
September	6,770,000	1.77
October	6,710,000	2.74
November	6,370,000	7.70
December	6,800,000	7.24
	<hr/> 81,330,000	<hr/> 49.36

LLOYD C. KING
in account with
The Town of Millis Water Department

Total Commitment for 1945	\$11,620.02
Total Receipts for 1945	12,053.67
Total Abatement for 1945	118.00

Respectfully submitted

RAYMOND D. WOODMANSEE,

W. HAROLD SIMPSON,

LLOYD C. KING,

Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Millis:

The Gypsy Moth infestation was very bad this year and stripping was very prevalent in all wooded areas in town. Some of the roadsides were sprayed twice, but the caterpillars were so thick this did not stop them from defoliating the trees right out to the roadsides. So much rain during the spraying time was a big hindrance in the control.

The egg clusters are very thick in the wooded areas and we can look for very heavy defoliation again this coming year. A thorough spraying program will have to be carried on in order to make any progress in holding this heavy infestation in check.

With conditions as they are I feel that a large appropriation should be made for this work in 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

LLOYD C. KING,

Moth Superintendent

Report of the Police Department

FROM JANUARY 1, 1945, to
DECEMBER 31, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

ARRESTS

	Male	Female
Drunkenness	10	0
Breaking and Entering	1	0
Assault with Intent to Murder	1	0
Assault with Dangerous Weapon	1	0
Delinquent Children	4	1
Non-Support	2	0
Drunken Driving	3	0
Treats	0	1
Auto Violations	32	1
Larceny	2	0
Non-Payment of Wages	1	0
Town By-Laws	8	0
Medfield Police	1	0
	—	—
	66	3
Total Arrests		69
Amount of money for fines for State		\$265.00
Amount of money for fines for Town		140.80
		—
Total amount of money for fines		\$405.80

We have stopped and booked 115 motorists and sent out warning notices to same for automobile violations.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR F. SCHOLL,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Millis:

The 1945 Tree Department appropriation was used principally for the removal of dead or damaged limbs. Also as in 1944 it was necessary to do a great deal of heavy cutting to allow for road clearance. However, there are many more sections which need this attention badly.

In 1946 with the war's end I believe our shade trees should come in for more consideration if a marked improvement is to be shown.

In making up the budget for 1946 I am requesting an increase in appropriation for the Department to help carry on this work.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. SKARP,

Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE SEWER COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Millis:

Our report is limited as our work is confined to the maintenance and care of the beds, and sending the proper samples to the State Board of Health.

The sewerage system seems to be in good working order at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. RICHARDSON,

GEORGE DE ANGELIS,

LLOYD C. KING,

Sewer Commissioners

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1945

1945 REAL ESTATE

Assessors' Warrant		\$76,240.05
Cash collected 1945	\$73,347.80	
Abatements	848.48	
Tax Titles certified	68.25	
In process of collection	1,975.52	
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	\$76,240.05	

1945 POLL TAX

Assessors' Warrant		\$1,134.00
Abatements	86.00	
Cash collected 1945	1,048.00	
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	\$1,134.00	

1945 PERSONAL TAX

Assessors' Warrant		\$7,420.80
Cash collected 1945	\$7,393.50	
In process of collection	27.30	
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	\$7,420.80	

WATERS LIENS

1945—\$97.00; 1943—\$27.00		\$124.00
Cash collected 1945	\$66.00	
In process of collection	68.00	
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	\$124.00	

1945 EXCISE TAXES

Assessors' Warrant Aug. 17th	\$2,601.59	
Assessors' Warrant Nov. 24th	143.71	
Assesors' Warrant Dec. 27th	52.69	
Assessors' Warrant Dec. 30th	10.00	
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	\$2,807.99	

ANNUAL REPORT

Cash collected 1945	\$2698.06
Abatements	19.39
In process of collection	90.54
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	\$2,807.99

1944 REAL ESTATE, POLL & PERSONAL TAXES

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1945		\$2,599.23
Abated	\$30.83	
Cash collected 1945	2,494.77	
Tax titles taken	44.18	
Tax titles certified	29.45	
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	\$2,599.23	

1944 EXCISE TAXES

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1945		\$505.12
Cash collected 1945	\$499.12	
Abatements	6.00	
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	\$505.12	

REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL AND POLL TAXES.

1932 to 1943, INC.

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1945		\$767.69
Cash collected 1945	\$212.13	
Abatements	309.14	
Tax titles taken	246.42	
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	\$767.69	

EXCISE TAXES 1938 TO 1943

Due from previous collectors Jan. 1, 1945		\$50.80
Collected 1945	\$50.80	

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. ESSELEN,
Tax Collector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of
Millis:

I submit herewith my report as Milk Inspector for the
year 1945.

Samples of milk sold in local markets were examined
and were found to conform with minimum requirements of
the Massachusetts Board of Health.

The following permits were issued:

8 Milk Dealers' Permits @ \$.50	\$4.00
2 Oleomargarine Permits @ \$.50	1.00
Total	<hr/> \$5.00

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. CLANCY,
Milk Inspector

MILLIS PARK DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

The Park Commissioners submit their report for your
approval for the year of 1945.

We feel that we have spent the money appropriated for
the Park Department to the best of our ability. We were
not able to do as much as we would have liked to do with
this money as everything is much higher.

We are asking the Voters of the Town of Millis to keep up our appropriation so that we can carry out our plans for the coming year and build up our play yard.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Highway Department, and various other Town Departments, as well as the citizens for fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES DE ANGELIS, *Chairman*

JAMES LA CROIX, *Secretary*

R. H. WELCH, *Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD—1945

During the year the following members of the Planning Board were appointed by the Selectmen, three vacancies having occurred.

Rudolph F. King

Lawrence J. Reardon

Howard A. Payson

The first meeting of the board, Charles Purdy was elected Chairman and Howard Payson, Secretary.

It was voted to hold meetings on the second Monday of each month.

Matters of Zoning and Municipal Building have been discussed.

CHARLES VAN S. PURDY,

HENRY LEWANDOWSKI,

RUDOLPH F. KING,

LAWRENCE J. REARDON,

HOWARD A. PAYSON.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

January 14, 1946

Board of Selectmen
Town of Millis

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1945.

	Sealed	Con- demned	Not Sealed
Platform scales, 100-5000 lbs.	4	—	—
Counter scales, under 100 lbs.	1	—	—
Spring scales, over 100 lbs.	1	—	—
Spring scales, under 100 lbs.	5	1	—
Computing scales, under 100 lbs.	7	—	—
Personal weighing	2	—	—
Prescription scales	1	—	—
Avoirdupois weights	18	—	—
Apothecary weights	36	—	—
Liquid measures	15	—	—
One-inch meters	16	—	—
Gas pumps	10	—	1
Grease pumps	6	—	—

Sealing fees collected and paid to Town Treasurer \$14.94

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. WARD,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN FOR 1945

To the Citizens of Millis:

The Board of Selectmen organized in 1945 is as follows: W. Harold Simpson, Chairman; Harry N. Walker, Clerk.

The contract for the removal of garbage was awarded to Francis Cassidy of Medway who has continued to give excellent service.

Floyd Russell was appointed to serve as the third member of the Rationing Board upon the resignation of Harry N. Walker.

After careful study of the report of the Insurance Committee we decided to place Liability and Property Damage on the fire apparatus and also place a Public Liability policy on all town buildings and property excepting streets and sidewalks.

We contacted the Honorable Joseph Martin relative to the possibility of having a new Post Office built in this town. According to Mr. Martin's report to us there is an excellent chance that favorable action will be taken by the Post Office Department after hearings are held with the Federal Works Agency and the Bureau of the Budget.

A request was made by this board to the Taunton Gas Light Co. to have a survey made to determine the possibility of having the gas service come through Millis. We expect some action on this request in the very near future.

Having in mind the promotion of a safety drive on our Millis Highways, additional signs were placed ahead of the regular Stop Signs, and the Police Department has been ordered to constantly be on the alert to apprehend traffic violations. In this connection traffic has been routed one way at the junction of Village and Main Streets at Conway's Corner.

Bulletins from the Surplus Property Division of the R.F.C. have been received constantly and this board has already taken advantage of the opportunity offered to buy a

used 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 ton G.M.C. truck through that agency. This truck is in excellent mechanical condition and should add greatly to the efficiency of the Highway Department.

A large V type snow plow was ordered last April but it has not been possible to get delivery to date, however a new substitute plow of the same style has been loaned to the town by the company from which the plow was purchased to be used until delivery has been made.

We feel that under the difficult conditions encountered in this winter of 1945-1946 the Highway Department deserves credit for the excellent performance in keeping the highways of the town in such very good condition.

A Christmas tree was erected in Memorial Park a week before Christmas and was illuminated nightly through the holiday season. The Selectmen received many favorable comments.

We have placed Article 12 in the town warrant which covers Chapter 723 of the Acts of 1945 and which reads as follows:

(CHAP. 723)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS AND OF DISTRICTS FOR FURNISHING INFORMATION, ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE TO VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II OR OTHER VETERANS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. In every city and town which accepts this act, in a city by vote of the city council, subject to the provisions of its charter, and in a town by vote of the town at a town meeting, there shall, except as otherwise provided in case of a district formed under authority of section two, be established and maintained a department for the purpose of furnishing such information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or other veterans as may be necessary to enable them to procure the benefits to which they are or may be entitled relative to employment, vocational or other educational opportunities, hospitalization, medical care, pensions and other veterans' benefits. Each department so established and maintained shall be known as the department of veterans' services, and the officer in charge thereof

shall be known as the director of veterans' services. Such director shall be a war veteran and shall be appointed in a city by the mayor, with the approval of the city council, and in a town by the selectmen. The person in a city authorized by the city charter or by ordinance or vote of the city council, and in a town authorized by vote of the selectmen, to disburse state or military aid, shall upon the effective date of this act become the director of veterans' services for such city or town and shall serve as such director until other provision is made as provided by this section: provided, that if such a person on said effective date is not a war veteran and has unlimited tenure of office or is serving for a definite term he may be retained in office as such director until he is removed for cause, or until the expiration of such term, as the case may be.

SECTION 2. Two or more municipalities which have accepted this act, only one of which may be a city or a town in excess of twelve thousand population, may by vote of the city council, subject to the provisions of its charter, in a city, and by vote of the town meeting or the town meeting members, as the case may be, in a town, form a district for the purposes set forth in section one of this act.

Any constituent city or town by vote may withdraw from the district at the end of any fiscal year if such withdrawal is voted in the manner aforesaid not less than thirty days prior to the end of such fiscal year and notice of such vote is filed with other cities and towns comprising district.

SECTION 3. In every such district there shall be a board composed of the mayor of such city, if any, as may be included in the district, and the chairman of the board of selectmen of each of the towns in the district, which board shall appoint, fix the compensation of, and may remove a director of veterans' services of said district, and may appoint, fix the compensation of, and may remove, a deputy or assistant to such director, if in the opinion of said board such a deputy or assistant is necessary. Such director shall be a war veteran and shall, under the direction of said district board, perform the duties of his office in each of the municipalities comprising the district. The officer in any city or town included in such district who is authorized to disburse state or military aid in such city or town may be designated by said district board to be the director in such district. The treasurer of one of the municipalities comprising such district, designated by the district board thereof,

shall be treasurer of the district and shall give to the district a bond, with a surety company authorized to transact business in the commonwealth as surety, for the faithful performance of his duties as treasurer of the district in such sum and upon such conditions as said district board may require. The district treasurer shall disburse the money so received upon warrants approved by the district board.

SECTION 4. Every such district board shall determine the expenses of the district and apportion the same among the several municipalities included therein on the basis of the taxable valuation of said municipalities as last established by the general court as a basis of apportionment for state and county taxes, and shall promptly thereafter notify the treasurers of said municipalities of such apportionment. Every city or town treasurer so notified shall, annually in December, certify the amount of such apportionment to the board of assessors of his municipality, who shall include such amount in the tax levy of the following year.

Upon order of the district board the city or town treasurer of each of the constituent members of the district shall from time to time pay to the district treasurer a sum or sums not exceeding, in the aggregate, the amount certified by the board as its respective share of costs and expenses of district.

SECTION 5. In each department of veterans' services and in each district established under section two, there shall be an unpaid advisory board to be appointed, in, cities by the mayor, in towns by the board of selectmen, and in districts by the district board. Such advisory board shall render such assistance to the director of veterans' services of the municipality or district, relative to the provisions of this act, as said director may request. The state commissioner of veterans' services is hereby authorized and directed to formulate and publish rules and regulations establishing in a general manner the types of persons with respect to their occupations, professions and special skills, who may be appointed to such unpaid advisory boards. Every such advisory board shall consist of not less than five nor more than fifteen residents of the city, town or district, as the case may be.

SECTION 6. Said departments and districts shall acquire and have on hand copies of current booklets and other printed matter pertaining to the statutory rights of war veterans provided under state and federal laws. They may call at any time upon any department, board, division or commission of the commonwealth for such assistance as may be

necessary in carrying out their functions. They shall also work in close co-ordination with existing federal agencies established for the aid of war veterans, and they shall enlist the support of hospitals within their respective communities or districts for carrying out the purposes of this act.

SECTION 7. Departments and districts established and maintained hereunder shall be under the general direction of the state commissioner of veterans' services, and their offices shall be physically located independently of, and separate and apart from, any other public or private agency, board, bureau, social agency or society, other than a municipal department established and maintained for the disbursement of state or military aid.

SECTION 8. The city council in every city shall vote in the current year on the acceptance of this act, and in every town a vote shall be taken thereon not later than the annual town meeting in nineteen hundred and forty-six.

Approved July 25, 1945.

We have given this matter our serious consideration and it is our firm conviction that the interests of our returned veterans will best be served by the appointment of a Millis man who is a veteran. We believe that such a man would have real personal interest in welfare of his comrades.

W. HAROLD SIMPSON,
HARRY N. WALKER,
MICHAEL E. COLLINS.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Millis:

The Commissioners of Prospect Hill Cemetery organized for 1945, with Evan F. Richardson as Chairman, Rudolph F. King, Superintendent, and Floyd Russell, Secretary.

Many lots have been sold in the new section of the cemetery, and Commissioners are pleased to report a substantial increase in perpetual care funds received during past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EVAN F. RICHARDSON,
RUDOLPH F. KING,
FLOYD RUSSELL,

Cemetery Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

January 14, 1946

Board of Selectmen,
Citizens of Millis:

During the past year this department answered 59 calls: buildings (18), automobile (4), grass (11), brush (12), search for children (1), inhalator (4), false (2), house duty, VE-Day, VJ-Day, Halloween Eve, July 4th).

We were advised by our local chairman of national defense, Mr. Rudolph F. King, that we could retain the fire equipment allocated to this town for defense purposes by the U. S. Government for the sum of \$1,150.00 and with the approval of the Board of Selectmen and Finance Board we retained this equipment consisting of a front end pump (now attached to the Rockville forest truck), one trailer mounted pump, extension and roof ladders, fire hose and accessories for pumps.

The firemen of Niagara Engine Company at their regular meeting in December voted to ask that the town raise their salary from \$5.00 per year to \$50.00 per year.

We have included this pay raise in our budget and ask that favorable action be taken on same.

Our 1945 fire list and 1946 budget attached.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. WARD,
MOODY RICHARDSON,
DELMONT C. ADAMS,
CHARLES A. LIPSETT,

Board of Fire Engineers

BUDGET FOR 1946

Purchase of national defense equipment	\$1,150.00
Insurance:	
Public liability	\$370.00
Firemen liability	150.00
Firehouse (Millis)	170.00
Fire truck insurance	29.00
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	719.00
Telephone	50.00
Light and power	175.00
Fuel	250.00
Storage (hand tubs)	18.00
Yearly salary	1,400.00
Warden salary	50.00
Stewards salary	350.00
Superintending alarms	50.00
Gas, oil and repairs	350.00
Repairs to buildings	150.00
Payroll	2,000.00
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Total	\$6,712.00

CALLS FOR 1945

Date	Owner	Type
1/20	Millis C. & Gr. Co., Inc.	Truck
1/31	Care of Mrs. Stevens	Inhalator
2/ 6	H. Lewis, Rockville	Building
3/14	M. Tamuleviz	Grass
3/17	John Kaminsky	Inhalator
3/18	John Kaminsky	Inhalator
3/18	W. Wells	Grass
3/20	Joseph O'Donnell	Grass
3/20	Henry Cassidy	Auto
3/24	H. Picard	Grass
3/29	Dr. Brown, F. Sheehan	Grass
4/ 7	Town of Medway	Brush
4/10	Town Dump	Brush
4/13	M. Tamuleviz	Grass
4/16	Leo R. Harrison	Building
5/ 5	A. Wolpert, Rockville	Building
5/12	John Heustis	Building

CALLS FOR 1945

Date	Owner	Type
5/16	Frank Monty	Building
6 1	White's Camps, Rockville	Brush
6 15	Practice	
6 24	Safepack Mills, Rockville	Building
6 26	Cratty	Building
6 28	T. Clancy	Inhalator
7/ 3	House Duty, Rockville	
7/ 4	House Duty, Rockville	
7/ 5	G. Veiner, Rockville	Grass
7/15	Ruby Foo	Brush
7, 21	Town Dump	Brush
7 28	Town Dump	Brush
7, 30	Irma H. Bigelow, Rockville	Building
8/14	House Duty, Rockville	
8 15	House Duty, Rockville	
8 16	Savage, Rockville	Grass
8 17	Tom & James Moran	Building
8/20	C. Thacher	Building
8/22	O. Lindahl	Auto
9/ 4	Harry Birdsey	Brush
9 28	False Alarm	
9/28	Town Dump	Brush
10/ 5	J. M. Herman Shoe Co., Rockville	Building
10/15	Pat Callahan	Grass
10/16	Town of Millis	Brush
10/18	Mrs. W. Mandell	Building
10/20	Patrick Collins	Brush
10/28	J. Heustis	Building
10/31	J. Kaminsky, Rockville	Brush
10/31	E. LaCroix	Grass
10/31	House Duty Rockville	
11/ 1	Town of Millis—Park	Grass
11/ 1	M. Delnick, Rockville	Grass
11/ 3	J. Kaminsky, Rockville	Brush
11/ 3	J. Kaminsky	Brush
11/15	S. Dmytryck	Building
11/17	E. Robitaille	Building
11/19	Herbert Works	Building
11/22	H. M. Cushman	Building
12/ 8	J. M. Herman Shoe Co., Rockville	Building
12/14	Hancock Construction Co.	Tractor
12, 21	E. Woodmansee	Inhalator

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Millis

Gentlemen:

The very rainy weather of the past year proved favorable for the control of forest fires, the number of calls being the lowest in years.

However, this same wet season leaves us with a heavy growth of weeds, grasses and all vegetation, when dried out in the spring, will bring us a real menace.

I suggest that this material be cleaned away from around incinerators before the dry season arrives.

On November 3rd, we had the largest fire of the season in the woods east of Farm Street on a very windy day. A forest truck from Medway and the State Forest Patrol Truck at Norfolk were called.

As this fire was thought to be of incendiary origin, the District Warden Henry L. Burtt made an investigation.

During the forest fire season in April and early May, burning by permit must be done after 5 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

MOODY J. RICHARDSON,

Forest Warden

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Millis:

We herewith submit the report of the Board of Public Welfare for the year ending December 31, 1945.

GENERAL RELIEF

Public Assistance programs have developed so rapidly during the last few years that agencies administering such assistance have found it necessary to review their policies and methods of relief.

Administrative bodies have come to realize more and more that people's fundamental needs must be met; that these needs must be met sensibly and practically; that we are dealing with individuals and not masses of humanity.

The wide varieties of family situations among those applying for assistance and the changes which occur during the period of dependency made it necessary for agencies to develop a plan or method for giving relief which is so flexible that it can be applied in individual situations.

There has been a wide diversity of practices and methods of granting relief throughout the State by local agencies. Since the problems are similar, and that the State and Federal Government share in the expenditures, it is only logical that they should consider it essential to take action in developing uniform standards and methods for planning and granting relief allowances. This has been done and a State budget set up which the welfare agencies must accept or provide the State Department with a budget of their own for approval before reimbursements will be approved.

Your Board administers assistance on a budgetary basis which takes into consideration the actual needs of the in-

dividual family in relation to this accepted standard, and providing adequate assistance on such a basis leads to a fair distribution of agency funds and conservation of the taxpayers money. Public assistance is based on need and need is always individual, varying with different persons and changing with the same persons. In budgeting we must consider eligibility for assistance, adequacy of assistance, and discontinuance of assistance. Budgeting cannot be regarded as a mechanical process. It is a vital part in the whole problem of dealing with the family.

Budgets are revised in conformity with the changes which occur in the family situations. This leads to mutual benefit of the relief recipient and the taxpayer, whether it means that the budget deficits, and hence the relief allowance, will have to be increased or decreased in the light of the changes.

Our General Relief caseload and expenditures have not varied greatly from month to month during the past year. The caseload has been running on an average of about 13 cases monthly and expenditures between \$350.00 and \$450.00 monthly.

December 31, 1944	15 cases
December 31, 1945	13 cases

All cases aided were unemployable.

Financial Summary

Appropriation		\$6,300.00
Expenditure		5,279.94
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Balance unexpended		\$1,020.06
Expenditure		\$5,279.94
Received from State	\$331.20	
Received from Towns	682.98	
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Cost to Millis		\$4,265.76

Administration

Appropriation: Salary		\$250.00
Expenditures:		
Salaries	\$250.00	
Stenographer	120.00	
Social Service Index	8.00	
Supplies	16.62	
Telephone	30.75	
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	\$425.35	
Total from general relief	165.68	
Appropriation		\$250.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

This year the caseload remains unchanged, two cases were opened and the same number closed, leaving 10 active cases December 31, 1945.

Widows	3
Desertions	2
Divorces and legal separations	3
Incapacitated parents	2
Number of dependent children under 16 years (and between 16-18 in school) aided during 1945	27

Financial Summary

Appropriation	\$10,000.00
Federal Grants in Aid	1,959.00
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Amount available for expenses	\$11,959.00
Expenditure	10,687.71
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Balance unexpended	\$1,271.29

Expenditure		\$10,687.71
Reimbursements:		
Federal Grants	\$1,959.00	
State	4,500.28	
	<hr/>	\$6,459.28
Cost to Millis		<hr/> \$4,228.43

Administration

Appropriation		\$150.00
Federal Grants received		92.18
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Total available for expenses		\$242.18
Expenditures:		
Investigation	\$50.18	
Visitation	96.00	
Travel	33.00	
Clerical	63.00	
	<hr/>	\$242.18

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

The number of Old Age Assistance cases assisted during the year 1945 have been as follows:

Active case January 1, 1945	45
Cases opened during the year	13
Cases closed during the year	9
Active cases December 31, 1945	49
Cases aided during the year	58
Cases aided in December 1945	49
Average monthly rate December 1945	\$45.04

Many elderly persons, who have continued to work during the war period, may wish to retire now that the war is over and if not covered by Old Age and Survivors' Insur-

ance, they will look for old age assistance to supplement what is an inadequate federal payment under the insurance program. Even in the face of the gradual increase in the number of old age insurance beneficiaries, there doubtless will be for some years a growth in the demand for old age assistance.

There has been considerable discussion regarding the children support clause in the law, and efforts were made for the elimination of same.

The local Board is not of the opinion that the children should be absolved entirely of any responsibility, and the Board has felt that the support clause should be modified, so that the percentage of contributions required should be figured on the amount of wages received less federal and state taxes. We have been fortunate in the administration of the Old Age Law that no prosecutions were necessary in this respect.

This law has now been modified effective January 1, 1946, the exemptions have been increased based on net earnings after State and Federal taxes are paid, the required percentage of contribution has also been reduced. Because of this we anticipate an increase in the number of those applying for assistance. The full budget allowance must be made to all recipients where contributions were made, effective January 1, 1946.

Financial Summary

Appropriation	\$16,000.00
Received Federal Grants	9,689.53
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Total available for Old Age Assistance	\$25,689.53
Expenditure	\$24,603.93
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Balance unexpended	\$1,085.60

Expenditure		\$24,603.93
Received from Federal Grants	\$9,689.53	
Received from State	12,944.46	
Received from Towns	591.98	
	<hr/>	\$23,225.97
Cost to Millis		<hr/> \$1,377.96

Administration

Appropriation		\$450.00
Received from Federal Grants		322.92
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Total available for expenses		\$772.92
Expenditures:		
Investigations	\$322.92	
Visitations	135.66	
Travel	67.00	
Clerical	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$675.58
Balance unexpended		<hr/> \$97.34

SHARING OF THE EXPENDITURES BY THE SEVERAL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

In the general relief cases, the entire expense is borne by the place of settlement and in all State cases (those without legal settlement) the expense is reimbursed in full by the Commonwealth.

Old Age Assistance was shared in by the Federal Government to the extent of 50% of all allowance up to \$40.00 a month. The State reimburses to the extent of two-thirds of the remainder of the expenses in all cases having a legal settlement after the federal grant is deducted. In all Old

Age Assistance cases having no settlement, the State reimburses for the full amount of the remainder.

In Aid to Dependent Children cases the Federal Government has made a grant of 50% of the assistance rendered for each child under 16 years and (16-18 years if in school) with the maximum amount shared in being \$18.00 for the first child and \$12.00 for each additional child. The State reimburses to the amount of one-third of the expenses. The question of legal settlement does not apply in this form of aid.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Accountant, Town Treasurer and Chief Scholl for their courtesy and assistance extended to us during the year 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR C. POND,

THOMAS J. CLANCY,

HARRY E. KING,

Board of Public Welfare

ASSESSORS' REPORT — 1945

Valuation of Real Estate	\$2,541,335.00
Valuation of Personal Estate	247,360.00
Total Valuation	\$2,788,695.00
State Tax	\$3,400.00
State Parks and Reservations	105.83
Audit of Municipal Accounts	98.91
County Tax	3,407.85
County Hospital Tax	733.44
Overlay	5,593.22
Town Grant	156,972.05
Total	\$170,311.30
Free Cash from Treasury	\$20,000.00
Estimated Receipts	65,518.45
Book Value	84,792.85
Total	\$170,311.30
December—1 Poll	2.00
Total—December 31, 1945	\$170,313.30
Rate per thousand	\$30.00
Number of houses assessed	528
Acres of land assessed	6,991
Horses	50
Cows	413
Fowl	29,250
Swine	56
Number of persons assessed	685
Male polls assessed	567

WARRANTS TO COLLECTOR — 1945

Real Estate	\$76,240.05
Personal Estate	7,420.80

Poll Taxes	1,134.00
Water Lien	97.00
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Total Warrants	\$84,891.85

ABATEMENTS BY AUTHORITY
OF TAX COMMISSIONER ON
PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE

1939 Levy	\$16.43
1940 Levy	9.70
1941 Levy	111.22
1942 Levy	125.91
1943 Levy	45.88
1944 Levy	26.35
1945 Levy	848.48
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Total	\$1,183.97

ABATEMENTS ON POLL TAXES

1944 Levy	\$2.00
1945 Levy	86.00
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Total	\$88.00

EXCISE TAX

Number of Motor Vehicles	665
Motor Vehicle Value	\$88,550.00

TOTAL WARRANTS TO COLLECTOR

Abatements—1945 Levy	\$2,807.99
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ABATEMENTS BY AUTHORITY
OF TAX COMMISSIONER

1944 Levy	\$6.00
1945 Levy	19.39

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE Y. ROBINSON,
MILLARD B. LaCROIX,
GEORGE D. CASSIDY,

Assessors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

January 1, 1946

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Millis:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1945.

During the course of the year, nineteen dogs were quarantined for having bitten different people.

All the cattle that were brought in from out of State were examined and released. The annual Tuberculin Test was given and no reactors were found.

All other work was carried out as ordered by the Director of Livestock and Disease Control.

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHY J. McCARTHY,

Inspector of Animals

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS
AND TAXATION
DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

Report of an Audit
OF THE ACCOUNTS OF
The Town of Millis

For the Period from May 4, 1943, to May 11, 1945

and of

THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

For the Period from March 1, 1944, to May 11, 1945

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of
Chapter 44, General Laws
July 5, 1945

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Corporations and Taxation
Division of Accounts
State House, Boston

July 5, 1945

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. W. Harold Simpson, Chairman
Millis, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Millis for the period from May 4, 1943, to May 11, 1945, and of the books and accounts of the tax collector for the period from March 1, 1944, to May 11, 1945, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,
Director of Accounts

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Millis for the period from May 4, 1943, the date of the previous examination, to May 11, 1945, and of the books and accounts of the tax collector for the period from March 1, 1944, when these accounts were most recently examined, to May 11, 1945, and submit the following report thereon:

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked. The receipts as recorded were checked with the available departmental records and with the treasurer's books, while the payments were compared with the treasurer's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds. The general ledger accounts were incomplete and it was therefore necessary to compile such accounts for the period covered by the audit. The appropriations as recorded on the ledger were checked with the amounts voted by the town as shown on the town clerk's record of town meetings, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on May 11, 1945.

It was noted that the interest earned on the proceeds of sale of cemetery lots deposited in a savings account was added to the amount appropriated for the maintenance of cemeteries, attention to which was called in the report of the previous audit. The amounts received from the sales of lots and graves may be appropriated by the town for the purposes stated in Sections 15 and 25, Chapter 114, General Laws, but may not be expended otherwise, and all interest earned by such funds should be credited to the estimated receipts account.

It was also noted that in 1944 the transfers from the reserve fund said to be authorized by the finance committee were \$683.34 in excess of the amount appropriated for a reserve fund, and it is recommended that the committee keep a record of transfers. In this connection attention is called to the provisions of Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws, which restrict transfers from the reserve fund to extraordinary or unforeseen expenses.

An examination of the paid bills and vouchers on file showed that a number of bills were paid on which the town had failed to take advantage of the cash discounts offered for prompt payment.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The cash book additions were verified and the recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the records in the various departments and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The disbursements were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to pay out town funds. The cash balance on May 11, 1945, was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual cash count of the cash in the office.

The payments on account of debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the tax collector's records, the reported redemptions were checked with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, and the tax title deeds were checked with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the several trust funds in custody of the town treasurer were examined. The income was proved and the

transfers to the town were checked with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The taxes and assessments outstanding at the time of the previous examination and recommitted to the present collector, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants for their collection.

The recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, the abatements as entered were checked with the assessors' record of abatements granted, the taxes transferred to the tax title account were reconciled with the records of tax titles held by the town, and the outstanding taxes were listed and proved.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts as listed are correct. Interest on poll and motor vehicle excise taxes should be collected as required by Section 57, Chapter 59, and Section 2, Chapter 60A, General Laws.

The records of dog and sporting licenses issued by the town clerk were examined and checked, and the recorded payments to the town and to the State were verified.

Payments of dog license receipts by the town clerk to the town treasurer should be made on the first Monday of each month or oftener, as required by Section 147, Chapter 140, General Laws, as amended, while payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game of money collected for sporting licenses must also be made on the first Monday of each month, in accordance with the provisions of Section 13, Chapter 131, General Laws, as amended by Chapter 599, Acts of 1941.

The surety bonds of the town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The water department accounts receivable were examined and checked. The accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination and all subsequent commitments were audited and proved. The cash book additions were verified for the period covered by the audit, the payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash book, the recorded abatements were verified by comparison with the water commissioners' record of abatements granted and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

Verification of the outstanding water accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts as listed are correct.

The cash balance on May 31, 1945, was proved by a reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of cash in the office.

Attention is called to the provisions of Section 1, Article 5, of the Town By-Laws, which requires that all department heads and officials shall pay over to the town treasurer on or before the fifth day of each month all sums collected by them during the previous month.

The accounts of the sealer of weights and measurers and of the police, public welfare, and cemetery departments, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the treasurer's books.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet referred to, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and tax collector's cash, summaries of the tax, tax title,

departmental, and water accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the several trust and investment funds.

For the cooperation extended by the various town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assitant Director of Accounts

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance May 4, 1943		\$62,909.38	
Receipts:			
May 4 to			
December 31, 1943	\$154,773.12		
1944	220,110.58		
		374,883.70	<u> </u>
			\$437,793.08
Payments:			
May 4 to			
December 31, 1943	\$165,276.01		
1944	210,698.55		
		\$375,974.56	
Balance December 31, 1944		61,818.52	<u> </u>
			\$437,793.08
Balance January 1, 1945		\$61,818.52	
Receipts January 1			
to May 11, 1945		\$40,326.75	<u> </u>
			\$102,145.27
Payments January 1			
to May 11, 1945		\$61,385.46	
Balance May 11, 1945:			
Natick Trust Company	\$21,575.40		
Cash in office, verified	19,184.41		
		40,759.81	<u> </u>
			\$102,145.27

Natick Trust Company

Balance May 11, 1945, per statement		\$27,528.37
Balance May 11, 1945, per check book	\$21,575.40	
Outstanding checks May 11, 1945, per list	5,952.97	<u> </u>
		\$27,528.37

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Special Deposit

Sale of Cemetery Lots and Graves

Balance May 4, 1943	\$620.48	
Receipts:		
May 4 to		
December 31, 1943	\$12.75	
1944	11.19	
	23.94	
Transfers from Cemetery General Care Fund, May 4 to December 31, 1943	100.00	<u> </u>
		\$744.42
Added to Cemetery appro- priation without appro- priation and expended:		
May 4 to		
December 31, 1943:		
Interest	\$12.75	
Withdrawal from fund	163.38	
	\$176.13	
1944:		
Interest	11.19	
Balance December 31, 1944	557.10	<u> </u>
		\$744.42
Balance January 1, 1945	\$557.10	
Sale of lots, January 1 to May 11, 1945	717.50	<u> </u>
Balance May 11, 1945— Medway Savings Bank Book #10519		\$1,274.60

Special Deposit

ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY FUND

Balance May 4, 1943		\$645.60	
Income added:			
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$12.97		
1944	13.23		
		26.20	<hr/>
			\$671.80
Balance December 31, 1944, and May 11, 1945—Med- way Savings Bank, Book #11,168			\$671.80

RECONCILIATION OF FORMER COLLECTOR'S CASH

Cash balances March 1, 1944, per previous audit:			
Taxes:			
Real Estate 1941		\$4.91	
Real Estate 1942		2,313.54	
Polls 1943		2.00	
Personal 1943		82.77	
Real Estate 1943		1,001.67	
Motor Vehicle Excise:			
Levy of 1942		2.00	
Levy of 1943		61.96	
Interest and costs		10.73	<hr/>
			\$3,479.58
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944			\$3,479.58

RECONCILIATION OF COLLECTOR'S CASH

Cash balances May 11, 1945, per tables:		
Polls 1942	\$2.00	
Personal property taxes, 1944	3.44	
Real Estate taxes 1944	207.55	

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Motor vehicle excise taxes 1944	19.63		
Interest and costs on taxes	4.92		
		\$237.54	
Excess cash May 11, 1945		102.08	<hr/>
			\$339.62
Collector's overpayments to treasurer:			
Real estate taxes 1942	\$10.07		
Polls 1943	2.00		
Real estate 1943	1.10		
Polls 1944	2.00		
Personal property taxes 1944	80.92		
Motor vehicle excise taxes 1944	.85		
		\$96.94	
Cash on hand May 11, 1945, verified		242.68	<hr/>
			\$339.62

POLLS — 1939

Recommitment per warrant	\$6.00
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$6.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1939

Recommitment per warrant	\$53.03
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$.10
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	36.50
Outstanding December 31, 1944, and May 11, 1945, per list	16.43
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	\$53.03

POLLS — 1940

Recommitment per warrant	\$38.00
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$34.00
Outstanding December 31, 1944	4.00
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	\$38.00
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$4.00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$4.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1940

Recommitment per warrant		\$68.48
Payments to treasurer		
March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$61.81	
Abatements March 1 to		
December 31, 1944	3.03	
Outstanding December 31, 1944,		
and May 11, 1945, per list	3.64	
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		\$68.48

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1940

Recommitment per warrant		\$40.92
Outstanding December 31, 1944		\$40.92
Outstanding January 1, 1945		\$40.92
Payments to treasurer January 1		
to May 11, 1945	\$3.03	
Outstanding May 11, 1945,		
per list	37.89	
		<hr/>
		\$40.92

POLLS — 1941

Recommitment per warrant		\$8.00
Payments to treasurer March 1 to		
December 31, 1944	\$4.00	
Abatements March 1 to		
December 31, 1944	4.00	
		<hr/>
		\$8.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1941

Recommitment per warrant		\$159.12
Payments to treasurer March 1		
to December 31, 1944	\$15.20	
Abatements March 1 to		
December 31, 1944	52.32	
Outstanding December 31, 1944,		
and May 11, 1945, per list	91.60	
		<hr/>
		\$159.12

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1941

Recommitment per warrant		\$1,525.72
Payments to treasurer March 1		
to December 31, 1944	\$120.09	

Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	1,324.35	
Outstanding December 31, 1944, and May 11, 1945, per list	81.28	<u> </u>
		\$1,525.72

POLLS — 1942

Recommitment per warrant		\$198.00
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$12.00	
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	174.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	12.00	<u> </u>
		\$198.00
Outstanding January 1, 1945		\$12.00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$6.00	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	4.00	
Cash balance May 11, 1945	2.00	<u> </u>
		\$12.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1942

Recommitment per warrant		\$213.53
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$.98	
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	81.75	
Outstanding December 31, 1944, and May 11, 1945, per list	130.80	<u> </u>
		\$213.53

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1942

Recommitment per warrant		\$292.67
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$136.74	
Transfers to tax titles March 1 to December 31, 1944	17.99	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	137.94	<u> </u>
		\$292.67
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$137.94	
Overpayment to treasurer	10.07	<u> </u>
		\$148.01

Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$19.62	
Abatement not previously reported	6.54	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	121.85	<hr/>
		\$148.01

POLLS — 1943

Recommitment per warrant		\$222.00
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$8.00	
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	212.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	2.00	<hr/>
		\$222.00
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$2.00	
Duplicate abatement adjusted	2.00	
Overpayment to treasurer	2.00	<hr/>
		\$6.00
Payments to treasurer January - to May 11, 1945	\$4.00	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	2.00	<hr/>
		\$6.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1943

Recommitment per warrant		\$90.06
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$10.00	
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	1.55	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	78.51	<hr/>
		\$90.06
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$78.51	
Interest reported as personal property taxes 1943	1.45	<hr/>
		\$79.96
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$27.26	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	52.70	<hr/>
		\$79.96

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1943

Recommitment per warrant		\$2,454.76
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 1, 1944	\$2,300.26	
Transfers to tax titles March 1 to December 31, 1944	65.88	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	88.62	<u> </u>
		\$2,454.76
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$88.62	
Water liens added to taxes 1943 reported as real estate taxes 1943	91.49	
Overpayment to treasurer	1.10	<u> </u>
		\$181.21
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$40.00	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	141.21	<u> </u>
		\$181.21

POLLS — 1944

Commitment per warrant	\$1,218.00	
Additional commitment	28.00	<u> </u>
		\$1,246.00
Payments to treasurer	\$1,026.00	
Abatement	192.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	28.00	<u> </u>
		\$1,246.00
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$28.00	
Overpayment to treasurer	2.00	<u> </u>
		\$30.00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$20.00	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	10.00	<u> </u>
		\$30.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1944

Commitment per warrant	\$7,525.62	
Credit balance December 31, 1944	.75	<u> </u>
		\$7,526.37
Payments to treasurer		\$7,526.37

Interest reported as personal property taxes 1944	\$.32	
Overpayments to treasurer	80.92	<u> </u>
		\$81.24
Credit balance January 1, 1945	\$.75	
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	74.57	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	2.48	
Cash balance May 11, 1945	3.44	<u> </u>
		\$81.24

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1944

Commitment per warrant	\$79,085.71	
Additional commitment	3.10	
Refunds	34.10	<u> </u>
		\$79,122.91
Payments to treasurer	\$74,827.00	
Abatements	778.25	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	3,517.66	<u> </u>
		\$79,122.91
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$3,517.66	
Interest reported as real estate taxes 1944	.75	<u> </u>
		\$3,518.41
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$2,253.84	
Warrant in excess of commitment list	.02	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	1,057.00	
Cash balance May 11, 1945	207.55	<u> </u>
		\$3,518.41

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1938

Recommitment per warrant	\$9.14
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$9.14

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1940

Recommitment per warrant	\$75.21
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$10.47
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	64.74 <u> </u>
	\$75.21

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1941

Recommitment per warrant		\$94.75
Payments to treasurer March 1		
to December 31, 1944	\$10.88	
Abatements March 1		
to December 31, 1944	83.87	<u> </u>
		\$94.75

MOTOR VEHICLES EXCISE TAXES — 1942

Recommitments per warrants		\$160.92
Payments to treasurer March 1		
to December 31, 1944	\$96.07	
Abatements March 1		
to December 31, 1944	60.85	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	4.00	<u> </u>
		\$160.92
Outstanding January 1, 1945		\$4.00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945		\$4.00

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1943

Recommitment per warrant		\$188.12
Payments to treasurer March 1		
to December 31, 1944	\$77.73	
Abatements March 1		
to December 31, 1944	56.32	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	54.07	<u> </u>
		\$188.12
Outstanding January 1, 1945		\$54.07
Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945		\$54.07

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1944

Commitments per warrant		\$2,666.43
Payments to treasurer	\$2,056.21	
Abatements	23.26	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	586.96	<u> </u>
		\$2,666.43
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$586.96	
Refunds January 1 to May 11, 1945	16.44	
Overpayment to treasurer	.85	<u> </u>
		\$604.25

Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$574.62	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	10.00	
Cash balance May 11, 1945	19.63	<u> </u>
		\$604.25

WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAXES — 1932

Recommitment per warrant	\$55.21
Abatements March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$55.21

WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAXES — 1942

Recommitment per warrant	\$82.49
Payments to treasurer March 1 to December 31, 1944	\$82.49

WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAXES — 1943

Recommitment per warrant	\$118.49	
Water department accounts receiv- able transferred to water liens added to taxes in 1943 in error	\$25.49	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	93.00	<u> </u>
		\$118.49
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$93.00	
Overpayment to collector to be refunded	25.49	<u> </u>
		\$118.49
Water liens added to taxes 1943 re- ported as real estate taxes 1943	\$91.49	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	27.00	<u> </u>
		\$118.49

INTEREST AND COSTS ON TAXES

Collections March 1, 1944, to May 11, 1945:

Interest:

Taxes:

Levy of 1940	\$2.76
Levy of 1941	13.22
Levy of 1942	20.23
Levy of 1943	61.81
Levy of 1944	40.46

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Motor vehicle excise taxes:

Levy of 1940	2.20
Levy of 1941	1.43
Levy of 1942	5.49
Levy of 1943	5.81

\$153.41

Costs:

Taxes:

Levy of 1940	\$.70
Levy of 1941	.35
Levy of 1942	2.45
Levy of 1943	1.75
Levy of 1944	48.30

53.55

\$206.96

Payments to treasurer:

March 1 to

December 31, 1944 \$161.10

January 1 to May 11, 1945 38.42

\$199.52

Interest reported as:

Personal property taxes 1943	\$1.45
Personal property taxes 1944	.32
Real estate taxes 1944	.75

2.52

Cash balance May 11, 1945:

Polls 1941	\$.35
Polls 1942	.51
Personal property taxes 1944	.06
Real estate taxes 1944	4.00

4.92

\$206.96

TAX TITLES

Balance May 4, 1943 \$1,098.50

Transfers to tax titles:

May 4 to December 31, 1943:

Taxes 1942	\$144.44
Interest and costs	3.00

147.44

1944:			
Taxes 1942	\$17.99		
Taxes 1943	93.78		
Interest and costs	2.87		
		114.64	<hr/>
			\$1,360.58
Tax titles redeemed:			
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$994.09		
1944	211.13		
		\$1,205.22	
Sales of land of low value May 4 to December 31, 1943:			
Sale price	\$5.00		
Loss	45.11		
		50.11	
Foreclosures May 4 to			
December 31, 1943		47.53	
Balance December 31, 1944		57.72	<hr/>
			\$1,360.58
Balance January 1, 1945			\$57.72
Tax titles redeemed January 1 to			
May 11, 1945		\$50.00	
Balance May 11, 1945, per list		7.72	<hr/>
			\$57.72

TAX POSSESSIONS

Balance May 4, 1943	\$58.57	
Foreclosures May 4 to		
December 31, 1943	47.53	<hr/>
		\$106.10
Balance December 31, 1943, and		
May 11, 1945, per list		\$106.10

TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

Cash balance May 4, 1943	\$162.00	
Licenses issued:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943:		
Males, 88 @ \$2.00	\$176.00	
Females, 16 @ 5.00	80.00	
Spayed females, 22 @ 2.00	44.00	
		300.00

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1944:

Males,	114 @ \$2.00	\$228.00
Females,	22 @ 5.00	110.00
Spayed females,	38 @ 2.00	76.00
Kennel,	1 @ 50.00	50.00

464.00
\$926.00

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$436.80
1944	429.00

Fees retained:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$25.20
1944	35.00

60.20
\$926.00

Licenses issued:

January 1 to June 1, 1945:

Males,	76 @ \$2.00	\$152.00
Females,	15 @ 5.00	75.00
Spayed females,	28 @ 2.00	56.00
Kennel,	1 @ 50.00	50.00

\$333.00

Payments to treasurer:

January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$12.00
May 12 to June 1, 1945	236.40

\$248.40

Fees retained:

January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$1.00
May 12 to June 1, 1945	23.00

24.00

Cash balance June 1, 1945

60.60
\$333.00

Sporting Licenses

Licenses issued January 1 to June 1, 1945:

Resident citizens' fishing,	48 @ \$2.00	\$96.00
Resident citizens' hunting,	1 @ 2.00	2.00
Resident citizens' sporting,	23 @ 3.25	74.75
Resident citizens' minor and female fishing	19 @ 1.25	23.75
Resident citizen's minor trapping,	1 @ 2.25	2.25
Resident citizen's trapping	1 @ 5.25	5.25

\$204.00

Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game January 1 to June 1, 1945	\$160.50	
Fees retained January 1 to June 1, 1945	23.25	
Cash on hand June 1, 1945, verified	20.25	<u> </u>
		\$204.00

SELECTMEN'S LICENSES AND PERMITS

Licenses and permits issued:

May 4 to December 31, 1943:

Bowling	\$12.00	
Junk	10.00	
Liquor	205.00	
Slaughter	75.00	
Sunday	7.00	
Victualler	10.00	
		\$319.00

1944:

Auctioneer	\$2.00	
Antique dealer	6.00	
Bowling	20.00	
Entertainment	1.00	
Junk	10.00	
Liquor	400.00	
Massage	1.00	
Slaughter	75.00	
Sunday	8.00	
Telephone tolls	.30	
Victualler	10.00	
		533.30 <u> </u>
		\$852.30

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$319.00	
1944	533.30	<u> </u>
		\$852.30

Licenses January 1 to May 24, 1945:

Antique dealer	\$2.00	
Auctioneer	2.00	
Bottling	20.00	
Slaughter	75.00	
Sunday	5.00	
Victualler	7.00	<u> </u>
		\$111.00

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Payments to treasurer January 1 to May 24, 1945	\$97.00	
Cash on hand May 24, 1945, verified	14.00	<u> </u>
		\$111.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Revolver Permits

Permits issued:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$6.00	
1944	6.50	<u> </u>
		\$12.50
Payments to treasurer:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$6.00	
1944	6.50	<u> </u>
		\$12.50
Permits issued January 1 to May 31, 1945		\$2.00
Cash on hand May 31, 1945, verified		\$2.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Cash balance May 4, 1943	\$3.43	
Sealing fees:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$10.56	
1944	15.04	
	25.60	<u> </u>
		\$29.03
Payments to treasurer:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$13.99	
1944	15.04	<u> </u>
		\$29.03

HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS

Licenses issued:			
May 4 to December 31, 1943:			
Milk,	10 @ \$.50	\$5.00	
Oleomargarine,	3 @ .50	1.50	
			6.50
1944:			
Milk,	9 @ \$.50	\$4.50	
Oleomargarine,	3 @ .50	1.50	
			6.00
			<u> </u>
			\$12.50

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$7.00	
1944	5.50	<u> </u>
		\$12.50

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Temporary Aid — Accounts Receivable

Outstanding May 4, 1943	\$306.50	
Charges:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$80.00	
1944	908.47	
	988.47	<u> </u>
		\$1,294.97

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$45.50
1944	403.97

\$449.47

Disallowances by State—

May 4 to December 31, 1943	1.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	844.50	<u> </u>
		\$1,294.97

Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$844.50	
Chargers January 1 to May 11, 1945	33.00	<u> </u>
		\$877.50

Payments to treasurer

January 1 to May 11, 1945	\$617.50	
Outstanding May 11, 1945, per list	260.00	<u> </u>
		\$877.50

Aid to Dependent Children — Accounts Receivable

Charges:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$3,644.58	
1944	3,732.62	<u> </u>
		\$7,377.20

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$3,644.58	
1944	3,732.62	<u> </u>
		\$7,377.20

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Bureau of Old Age Assistance—Accounts Receivable

Outstanding May 4, 1943	\$1,694.74	
Charges:		
May 4 to		
December 31, 1943	\$9,458.30	
1944	10,100.04	
	19,558.34	<hr/>
		\$21,253.08
Payments to treasurer:		
May 4 to		
December 31, 1943	\$11,086.37	
1944	9,906.28	
	\$20,992.65	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	260.43	<hr/>
		\$21,253.08
Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$260.43	
Charges January 1 to		
May 11, 1945	1,191.48	<hr/>
		\$1,451.91
Payments to treasurer:		
January 1 to May 11, 1945		\$1,451.91

STATE AID

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding May 4, 1943	\$440.00	
Charges May to December 31, 1943	160.00	<hr/>
		\$600.00
Payments to treasurer:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$310.00	
1944	290.00	<hr/>
		\$600.00

LIBRARY FINES

Fines:		
May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$19.02	
1944	25.44	<hr/>
		\$44.46

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to December 31, 1943
1944

\$19.02

25.44

\$44.46

Fines:

January 1 to May 29, 1945

\$10.00

Payments to treasurer:

January 1 to May 29, 1945

\$7.56

Cash balance May 29, 1945

2.44

\$10.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding May 4, 1943

\$7,584.20

Charges:

May 4 to

December 31, 1943

\$5,563.82

1944

10,886.37

16,450.19

Adjustments 1944:

Charges not

previously reported

\$24.10

Transferred to water liens

added to taxes 1943 in

error

25.49

49.59

\$24,083.98

Payments to treasurer:

May 4 to

December 31, 1943

\$10,676.66

1944

11,137.01

\$21,813.67

Abatements:

May 4 to December 31, 1943

\$64.50

1944

114.19

178.69

Transfers to water liens add-
ed to taxes 1943—May 4 to

December 31, 1943

248.49

Outstanding December 31, 1944

1,843.13

\$24,083.98

Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$1,843.13	
Charges January 1 to May 11, 1945	5,931.41	<u> </u>
		\$7,774.54
Outstanding May 11, 1945		\$7,774.54
Outstanding May 12, 1945	\$7,774.54	
Overpayments to treasure to be adjusted	1.79	
Excess cash May 31, 1945	3.13	<u> </u>
		\$7,779.46
Payments to treasurer		
May 12 to 31, 1945	\$4,000.00	
Abatements to be reported	32.00	
Outstanding May 31, 1945, per list	2,903.39	
Cash on hand May 31, 1945, verified	844.07	<u> </u>
		\$7,779.46

WOOLVELT LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Cash in Gen. Treas.	Securities Book Value	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand				
May 4, 1943	<u> </u>	\$1,000.00	\$2,114.64	\$3,114.64
On hand				
at end of year 1943	<u> </u>	\$1,000.00	\$2,157.13	\$3,157.13
On hand				
at end of year 1944	\$250.00	<u> </u>	\$2,181.86	\$2,431.86
On hand				
May 11, 1945	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	\$2,431.86	\$2,431.86

May 4, 1943, to December 31, 1944

Receipts		Payments	
Income:		Added to savings deposits:	
May 4 to Decem-		May 4 to Decem-	
ber 31, 1943	\$42.49	ber 31, 1943	\$42.49
1944	43.35	1944	24.73
Mortgage discharged		Transfer to town 1944	18.62
1944	1,000.00	Loss on mortgage dis-	
		charged 1944	750.00
		Cash in general treas-	
		ury December 31,	
		1944	250.00
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
	\$1,085.84		\$1,085.84

January 1 to May 11, 1945

Cash in general treasury January 1, 1945		Added to savings deposits	\$250.00
	\$250.00		

EMERSON LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand May 4, 1943	\$209.78	\$209.78
On hand at end of year 1943	\$213.97	\$213.97
On hand at end of year 1944	\$218.26	\$218.26
On hand May 11, 1945	\$218.26	\$218.26

Receipts

Payments

May 4, 1943, to December 31, 1944

Income:		Added to savings deposits:	
May 4 to December 31, 1944	\$4.19	May 4 to December 31, 1943	\$4.19
1944	4.29	1944	4.29
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	\$8.48		\$8.48

January 1 to May 11, 1945

No transactions recorded.

CEMETERY GENERAL CARE FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand May 4, 1943	\$61,130.67	\$6,130.67
On hand at end of year 1943	\$6,030.67	\$6,030.67
On hand at end of year 1944	\$5,922.29	\$5,922.29
On hand May 11, 1945	\$5,922.29	\$5,922.29

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Payments

Withdrawn from savings		Transfers to town:	
banks:		May 4 to December	
May 4 to Decem-		31, 1943	\$122.21
ber 31, 1943	\$100.00	1944	229.58
1944	108.38	Transfer to sales of	
Income:		lots and graves	
May 4 to Decem-		fund—May 4 to	
ber 31, 1943	122.21	December 31, 1944	100.00
1944	121.20		
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	\$451.79		\$451.79

No transactions recorded.

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Cash in Gen. Treas.	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand May 4, 1943	————	\$5,564.01	\$5,564.01
On hand at end of year 1943	\$100.00	\$5,564.01	\$5,664.01
On hand at end of year 1944	\$300.08	\$5,564.01	\$5,864.09
On hand May 11, 1945	\$450.00	\$5,864.09	\$6,314.09

Payments

Income:		Transfers to town:	
May 4 to Decem-		May 4 to December	
ber 31, 1943	\$111.55	31, 1943	\$111.55
1944	111.72	1944	111.72
Bequests:		Cash in general treas-	
May 4 to Decem-		ury December 31,	
ber 31, 1943	100.00	1944	300.08
1944	200.08		
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	\$523.35		\$523.35

Receipts		Payments	
January 1 to May 11, 1945			
Bequests	\$450.00	Added to savings deposits	\$300.08
Cash in general treasury January 1, 1945	300.08	Cash in general treasury May 11, 1945	\$450.00
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	\$750.08		\$750.08

POST-WAR REHABILITATION FUND

	Cash in Gen. Treas.	Securities Par Value	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944			
On hand at end of year 1944	\$28.20	\$3,000.00	\$3,028.20
On hand May 11, 1945	\$28.20	\$6,000.00	\$6,028.20

1944

Appropriation by town	\$3,000.00	Purchase of securities (par value)	\$3,000.00
Income	28.20	Cash in general treasury December 31, 1944	28.20
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	\$3,028.20		\$3,028.20

January 1 to May 11, 1945

Appropriation by town	\$3,000.00	*Purchase of securities (par value)	\$3,000.00
Cash in general treasury January 1, 1945	28.20	Cash in general treasury May 11, 1945	28.20
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	\$3,028.20		\$3,028.20

*Purchased but not delivered. Receipt for payment on file.

TOWN OF MILLIS

Balance Sheet — May 11, 1945

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash:		Dog Licenses—Due County	\$101.40
General, Including Sale of		Federal Withholding Tax	630.60
Lots and Graves	\$42,034.41	Personal Property Taxes—1944	75.00
Special:		One Hundredth Anniversary Fund	671.80
Hundredth Anniversary		Sale of Cemetery Lots and Graves Fund	1,347.60
Fund	671.80	Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	450.00
Estate of R. H. Thorne,		Tailings—Reserve for Unclaimed Checks	13.90
former treasurer		Post-War Rehabilitation Fund Income	28.20
Accounts Receivable:		Unexpended Appropriation Balances	112,765.64
Taxes:		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	6,275.40
Levy of 1939:		Overlays Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:	
Real Estate	\$16.43	Levy of 1939	\$16.43
Levy of 1940:		Levy of 1940	41.53
Personal		Levy of 1942	248.58
Property	\$3.64	Levy of 1943	192.81
Real Estate	37.89	Levy of 1944	1,272.55
Levy of 1941:	41.53		
Personal			1,771.90

TOWN OF MILLIS

Balance Sheet — May 11, 1945

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Property	\$91.60	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Real Estate	81.28	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$28.78
		Tax Title	113.82
Levy of 1942:		Departmental	260.00
Polls	\$6.00	Water	7,776.05
Personal		State and County Aid to Highway	7,050.00
Property	130.80		
Real Estate	111.78		
Levy of 1943:			
Personal		Surplus Revenue	
Property	\$52.70		15,228.65
Real Estate	140.11		49,207.03
Levy of 1944:			
Polls	\$8.00		
Real Estate	1,264.55		
	1,272.55		
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:			
Levy of 1944			
			1,944.78
			28.78

Tax Titles	\$7.72	
Tax Possessions	106.10	113.82
Departmental:		
Public Welfare		260.00
Water Accounts:		
Water Rates	\$7,774.54	
Water Liens Added to		
Taxes 1943	1.51	
		7,776.05
State and County Aid to Highways:		
State	\$6,150.00	
County	900.00	
		7,050.00
Revenue 1945:		
Appropriations	\$155,464.69	
Less—Estimated Receipts		
Collected	27,307.46	128,157.23
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1936	\$55.81	
Levy of 1937	4.60	
Levy of 1941	422.08	482.49
		<u>\$188,567.12</u>

DEBT ACCOUNTS	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	
\$15,000.00	Schoolhouse Loan 1941
	Standpipe Loan 1936
<u>\$15,000.00</u>	
	\$12,000.00
	3,000.00
	<u>\$15,000.00</u>

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS	
Trust and Investment Funds, Cash and Securities	
\$20,436.50	Woolvelt Library Fund
	Emerson Library Fund
	Cemetery General Care Fund
	Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund
	Post-War Rehabilitation Fund
<u>\$20,436.50</u>	
	\$2,431.86
	218.26
	5,922.29
	5,864.09
	6,000.00
	<u>\$20,436.50</u>

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the Town Officials for their help and cooperation during the past year.

L. J. REARDON,

Town Accountant

CASH RECEIPTS

Poll Tax 1940	\$4.00
Poll Tax 1942	6.00
Poll Tax 1943	4.00
Poll Tax 1944	26.00
Personal Property Tax 1943	79.96
Personal Property Tax 1944	143.41
Real Estate Tax 1940	3.03
Real Estate Tax 1941	5.71
Real Estate Tax 1942	19.62
Real Estate Tax 1943	55.50
Real Estate Tax 1944	3,417.41
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1942	4.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1943	54.07
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1944	617.03
Poll Tax 1945	1,058.00
Real Estate Tax 1945	72,364.57
Personal Property Tax 1945	7,345.70
Motor Vehicle Tax 1945	2,607.44
Tax Demands	40.60
Tax Interest	97.75
Tax Titles Redeemed	79.62
Special Assessments	31.00
Dog Tax Received from County	291.57
Dog Tax Collected for County	394.20
Licenses and Permits	749.36
Library Fines	22.08

Court Fines	144.80
Coupons on Bonds	73.11
Water Rates	11,956.67
Rent of Auditorium	16.00
Cemetery Lots	317.50
Perpetual Care Funds	850.00
From County for Highways	1,611.01
Machinery Account	1,293.25
Sealer of Weights and Measures	14.94
From State for Snow Removal	1,993.43
From State for School Tuition	391.34
From State for Highways	8,474.70
From State for Aid Dependent Children	5,297.71
From State for Old Age Assistance	22,956.91
From State for School Fund	3,567.43
From State for Dept. of Public Works	2,257.31
From State for Indigent Persons	33.00
From State for Corp. and Business Tax	16,491.76
From State for Income Tax	12,440.00
From State for Meal Tax	686.78
From State for School Supt.	483.33
From State for Temporary Aid	298.20
Old Age from other Cities and Towns	393.51
Aid Dependent Children from other Cities and Towns	123.47
Welfare from other Cities and Towns	757.98
Withholding Tax	6,009.37
Cancelled Checks	64.91
Advertising	3.00
Library Trust Funds	6.99
Cemetery Trust Funds	444.54
Balance carried Forward from 1944	61,818.52
Total	\$250,793.10

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation		\$4,681.25
Payments:		
Tax Collector's Salary	\$775.00	
Town Accountant's Salary	600.00	
Assessors' Salary	500.00	
Treasurer's Salary	450.00	
Selectmen's Salary	300.00	
Slaughter Inspector's Salary	300.00	
Fire Commissioners' Salary	200.00	
Water Commissioners' Salary	200.00	
Water Registrar's Salary	200.00	
Sewer Commissioners' Salary	100.00	
School Committee Salary	150.00	
Animal Inspector's Salary	281.25	
Election Officers' Salary	55.20	
Sealer's Salary	50.00	
Registrars' Salary	30.00	
Town Clerk's Salary	175.00	
Welfare Board's Salary	250.00	
Milk Inspector's Salary	50.00	
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Total Payments	\$4,666.45	
Balance to Revenue	14.80	
	<hr/>	\$4,681.25

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Janitor's Salary	250.00
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	\$2,250.00
Payments:	
Clerical	\$580.00

Fuel	115.51	
Town Reports	457.00	
Expenses	200.00	
Janitors	260.00	
Equipment	54.22	
Supplies	314.05	
Telephone	120.00	
Electricity	103.55	
Repairs	29.06	
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Total Payments	\$2,233.39	
Balance to Revenue	16.61	
	<hr/>	\$2,250.00

SEALER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$30.00
Payments:		
Insurance	\$18.70	
Supplies	10.24	
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Total Payments	\$28.94	
Balance to Revenue	1.06	
	<hr/>	\$30.00

REGISTRARS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$125.00
Payments:		
Clerical	\$123.90	
Balance to Revenue	1.10	
	<hr/>	\$125.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$350.00
Payments:		
Clerical	\$55.00	
Printing	2.50	
Expenses	94.19	
Bond	22.50	
Equipment and Supplies	154.35	
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Total Payments	\$328.54	
Balance to Revenue	21.46	
	<hr/>	\$350.00

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$975.00
Payments:		
Clerical	\$272.00	
Recording Deeds	43.41	
Association Dues	6.00	
Supplies	27.20	
Printing Reports	400.00	
Expenses	217.00	
Postage	4.39	
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Total Payments	\$970.00	
Balance to Revenue	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$975.00

ELECTION OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$160.00
Payments:		
Rent	\$10.00	
Clerical	10.00	

Printing	130.25
Food	6.71
Posting Warrants	3.04
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Total Payments	\$160.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$325.00
Payments:		
Bonds	\$105.00	
Expenses	127.12	
Supplies	33.89	
Printing	53.75	
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Total Payments	\$319.76	
Balance to Revenue	5.24	
	<hr/>	\$325.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S TAX TAKING EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$200.00
Payments:		
Clerical	\$30.00	
Deputy Collector	36.00	
Expenses	113.10	
Printing	20.00	
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Total Payments	\$199.10	
Balance to Revenue	.90	
	<hr/>	\$200.00

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$300.00
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Payments:

Printing	\$4.92	
Expenses and Supplies	108.45	
Postage	56.08	
Association Dues	2.00	
Bond	67.00	
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Total Payments	\$238.45	
Balance to Revenue	61.55	
	<hr/>	\$300.00

LAW AND ORDER

Appropriation	\$3,400.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	35.38
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	\$3,455.38

Payments:

Chief's Salary	\$1,999.92
Supplies	5.35
Insurance	67.76
Gas and Oil	152.62
Building Repairs	6.10
Food	1.57
Uniforms	64.90
Flowers	5.00
Auto Upkeep and Repairs	155.02
Specials' Pay	793.42
Telephone	130.72
Lockup Keeper	58.75
Medical	6.00
Printing and Stationery	8.25
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Total Payments	\$3,455.38

POLICE CAR

Appropriation		\$850.00
Payments:		
Cost of Car and Equipment	\$802.68	
Balance to Revenue	47.32	
	<hr/>	\$850.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$4,000.00
Payments:		
Payrolls	\$1,915.50	
Insurance	279.98	
Fuel Oil	216.39	
Telephone	42.61	
Lights and Power	126.60	
Equipment and Repairs	385.53	
Gas, Oil and Truck Upkeep	564.61	
Supplies and Rent	76.15	
Flowers	7.00	
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Total Payments	\$3,614.37	
Balance to Revenue	385.63	
	<hr/>	\$4,000.00

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$950.00
Payments:		
Insurance	\$17.96	
Insecticides	231.07	
Payrolls	700.97	
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Total Payments	\$950.00	

TREE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$500.00
Payments:		
Insurance	\$17.96	
Equipment and Repairs	12.14	
Truck Hire	116.00	
Payrolls	353.75	
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Total Payments	\$499.85	
Balance to Revenue	.15	
	<hr/>	\$500.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$750.00
Payments:		
Advertising	\$7.40	
All other Expenses	125.00	
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Total Payments	\$132.40	
Balance to Revenue	617.60	
	<hr/>	\$750.00

NURSE

Appropriation		\$1,200.00
Payments:		
Nurse's Salary	\$1,200.00	
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COLLECTION OF GARBAGE

Appropriation		\$800.00
Payments:		
Collection for Nine Months	\$562.50	
Balance Reserved	237.50	
	<hr/>	\$800.00

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$400.00
Payments:		
Insurance	\$8.95	
Payrolls	338.25	
Teams and Trucks	47.50	
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Total Payments	\$394.70	
Balance to Revenue	5.30	
	<hr/>	\$400.00

NORFOLK COUNTY HOSPITAL

Appropriation	\$733.44
Payments:	
County Hospital	\$733.44

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$3,750.00
Payments:	
Insurance	\$467.01
Supt. Expenses	242.96
Truck Repairs and Parts	302.25
Machinery Acct.	191.25
Electricity	9.93
Freight and Express	8.67
Repairing Signs	7.00
Grates and Frames	33.90
Gas for Beacons	35.04
Supplies	226.72
Stone	45.50
Lumber	64.91
Gas and Oil	80.42

Masons	7.75	
Payroll	2,026.38	
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Total Payments	\$3,749.69	
Balance to Revenue	.31	
	<hr/>	\$3,750.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$2,900.00
Payments:		
Paid for Street Lights	\$2,890.51	
Balance to Revenue	9.49	
	<hr/>	\$2,900.00

MACHINERY FUND

Fund Jan. 1st, 1945		\$2,240.82
Payments:		
Repairs to Equipment	\$490.08	
Gas and Oil	573.78	
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Total Payments	\$1,063.86	
Balance Reserved for 1946 Fund	1,176.96	
	<hr/>	\$2,240.82

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation		\$2,000.00
Payments:		
Aid Paid	\$529.56	
Balance to Revenue	1,470.44	
	<hr/>	\$2,000.00

NEW HIGHWAY TRUCK

Transferred from Emergency Fund		\$1,500.00
Payments:		
Truck	\$1,300.00	
Equipping Truck	192.86	
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Total Payments	\$1,492.86	
Balance to Revenue	7.14	
	<hr/>	\$1,500.00

HIGHWAY CHAPTER 81

Appropriation		\$5,250.00
Received from State		5,250.00
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		\$10,500.00
Payments:		
Payrolls	\$5,587.08	
Tarvia and Oil	3,456.69	
Pipe	241.68	
Posts	409.50	
Stone, Sand and Gravel	583.73	
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Total Payments	\$10,278.68	
Balance to Revenue	221.32	
	<hr/>	\$10,500.00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Acct.		2,198.92
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		\$7,198.92

Payments:

Insurance	\$21.06
Plowing	2,092.65
Payrolls	3,944.46
Equipment and Repairs	883.41
Food	17.95
Gas and Oil	21.24
Calcium Chloride	218.15

Total Payments	\$7,198.92
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HIGHWAY CHAPTER 90

Appropriation	\$900.00
From State	900.00
From County	900.00
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	\$2,700.00

Payments:

Salaries and Wages	\$1,612.94
Sand, Gravel and Stone	291.45
Tarvia and Oil	743.49
Equipment	43.20

Total Payments	\$2,691.08
Unexpended Balance	8.92
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	\$2,700.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN
ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation	\$150.00
Received from Federal Grant	92.18
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	\$242.18

Payments:

Clerical and Office Expenses	\$242.18	
Total Payments		\$242.18

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation		\$10,000.00
Received from Federal Grants		1,482.00
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		\$11,482.00

Payments:

Aid to Dep. Children Paid	\$10,687.71	
Balance to Revenue		
Town Appropriation	794.29	
	<hr/>	\$11,482.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation		\$450.00
Received from Federal Grants		322.92
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		\$772.92

Payments:

Clerical and Office Expenses	\$675.58	
Balance to Revenue		
Town Appropriation	97.34	
	<hr/>	\$772.92

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation		\$16,000.00
Received from Federal Grants		12,957.35
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		\$28,957.35

Payments:

Old Age Asst. Paid	\$24,508.29
Paid other Cities and Towns	79.89
Paid for Medical Services	15.75

Total Payments	\$24,603.93
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Balance to Revenue

Town Appropriation	4,353.42
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\$28,957.35

WELFARE

Appropriation	\$6,300.00
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Payments:

Administration	\$159.62
Cash Aid	3,394.75
Rent	200.00
Fuel	155.86
Food	599.00
Electricity	13.55
Medical	603.16
Board	91.00
Stove	15.00
Paid other Cities and Towns	48.00

Total Payments	\$5,279.94
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Balance to Revenue

1,020.06

\$6,300.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$50,300.00
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Payments:

Supt. Salary	\$1,040.00
Teachers' Salary, High	21,856.87
Teachers' Salary, Elem.	12,625.00

Janitors' Salaries	3,884.00	
Telephone	121.03	
Printing	36.25	
School Physician	200.00	
Insurance	769.38	
Teachers' Retirement Fund	158.13	
Supt. Expense	140.61	
Postage	13.39	
Freight and Express	2.20	
Lumber	21.88	
Typewriter Repairs	10.00	
Books	718.90	
Food	70.41	
Fuel	2,010.93	
Gas and Oil	284.88	
Cafeteria Equipment	628.99	
Cafeteria Floor	461.56	
Bus Repairs and Upkeep	322.43	
Athletics	412.50	
Electricity	872.00	
Janitors' Supplies	220.29	
Transportation	6.00	
Drugs	6.77	
Rent of Chairs	4.00	
Building Upkeep	1,657.73	
Supplies	1,741.02	
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Total Payments	\$50,297.15	
Balance to Revenue	2.85	
	<hr/>	\$50,300.00

ROOF FOR SCHOOL BUILDING

Appropriation		\$1,735.00
Payments:		
Cost of New Roof	\$1,410.00	
Balance to Revenue	325.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,735.00

LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$300.00
From County on Dog Tax	291.57
Withdrawn from Woolvett Trust Fund Int.	6.99
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	\$598.56

Payments:

Librarian's Salary	\$288.00
Books and Periodicals	299.70
Postage	5.46
Library Assn.	3.00
Repairs	2.40
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	\$598.56

PARK DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Transferred from Emergency Fund	250.00
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	\$1,250.00

Payments:

Printing	\$1.00
Insurance	5.28
Seed and Etc.	101.60
Supplies	79.33
Labor	489.41
Mower	274.37
Fence	39.97
Repairs	35.84
Gas and Oil	8.93
Masons	59.04
Equipment	151.75

Total Payments	\$1,246.52	
Balance to Revenue	3.48	
	<hr/>	\$1,250.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$200.00
Payments:		
Printing	16.25	
Flags	30.25	
Flowers	45.50	
Band	85.00	
Speaker	10.00	
Electrician	11.22	
Expenses	1.78	
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Total Payments	\$200.00	

WAR BOND REHABILITATION FUND

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Payments:	
Paid for War Bonds	\$3,000.00

SKATING RINK

Appropriation	\$300.00
Payments:	
Work on Skating Rink	\$300.00

POST WAR PROGRAMME

Appropriation	\$300.00
Payments:	
No Expenditures to Revenue	\$300.00

INSURANCE

Transferred from Emergency Fund	\$656.87
Paid Insurance	\$656.87

MEMORIAL PARK

Appropriation		\$100.00
Payments:		
Supplies	\$5.30	
Labor	29.60	
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Total Payments	\$34.90	
Balance to Revenue	65.10	
	<hr/>	\$100.00

TOWN CLOCK

Appropriation		\$150.00
Transferred from Emergency Fund		500.00
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		\$650.00
Payments:		
Repairs to Clock	\$400.52	
Balance Reserved		
until Contract Completed	249.48	
	<hr/>	\$650.00

AMERICAN LEGION POST

Appropriation		\$300.00
Payments:		
Paid American Legion		\$300.00

SERVICE BOARD'S MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$100.00
Payments:		
Repairs to Service Board	\$76.52	
Balance to Revenue	23.48	
	<hr/>	\$100.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$8,000.00
Payments:		
Insurance	\$458.86	
Printing	15.75	
Recording Deeds	3.82	
Telephone	34.04	
Lights and Power	1,152.82	
Gas, Oil and Truck Repairs	150.62	
Freight and Express	27.53	
Coal	939.83	
Equipment and Repairs	528.20	
Payrolls	725.40	
Engineer's Salary	2,670.00	
Equipment and Repairs to		
Pumping Station	321.54	
Pipe and Equipment	762.31	
Meters and Repairs	63.17	
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Total Payments	\$7,853.89	
Balance to Revenue	146.11	
	<hr/>	\$8,000.00

WATER EXTENSION

Balance Jan. 1st, 1945		\$3,801.76
Payments—Morse Avenue:		
Pipe	\$779.96	
Labor	159.65	
Digging	248.00	
Total Payments	\$1,187.61	
Balance Reserved	2,614.15	
	<hr/>	\$3,801.76

CEMETERY

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	150.00
Withdrawn from Trust Funds	444.54
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	\$1,594.54

Payments:

Salaries and Wages	\$1,421.16
Trucks	48.33
Land	90.00
Express	.52
Shrubs	12.50
Seed	14.50
Insurance	7.53

Total Payments	<hr/> \$1,594.54
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DEBT AND INTEREST

Appropriation	\$9,000.00
Payments:	
Notes Paid	\$8,000.00
Interest Paid	396.23
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Total Payments	\$8,396.23
Balance to Revenue	603.77
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	\$9,000.00

TAXES PAID

State Tax	\$3,400.00
County Tax	3,633.29
State Parks	79.50
State Audit	98.91
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Total Taxes	\$7,211.70

REFUNDS

Motor Vehicle Tax Refunds	\$25.15
Poll Tax Refunds	4.36
Real Estate Tax Refunds	120.00
Overpayment on Taxes by Collector	105.72
Bottling License to State	10.00
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Total Refunds	\$265.23

TRUST FUNDS

Library Trust Funds	\$250.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	750.08
Cemetery General Care Funds	972.50
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Total Trust Funds	\$1,972.58

WITHHOLDING TAX

Withholding Tax Paid to Federal Govt.	\$5,801.75
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DOG LICENSES COLLECTED FOR COUNTY

Paid County for Dog Licenses	\$478.20
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SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$4,666.45
Town Office Expenses	2,233.39
Sealer's Expenses	28.94
Registrars' Expenses	123.90
Town Clerk's Expenses	328.54
Assessors' Expenses	970.00

Election Officers' Expenses	160.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	319.76
Tax Collector's Tax Taking Expenses	199.10
Treasurer's Expenses	238.45
Law and Order	3,455.38
Police Car	802.68
Fire Department	3,614.37
Moth Department	950.00
Tree Department	499.85
Health Department	132.40
Nurse	1,200.00
Collection of Garbage	562.50
Sewer Department	394.70
Norfolk County Hospital	733.40
Highways and Bridges	3,749.69
Street Lights	2,890.51
Machinery Fund	1,063.86
Soldiers' Relief	529.56
Highway Truck	1,492.86
Highway Chapter 81	10,278.68
Snow Removal	7,198.92
Highway Chapter 90	2,691.08
Aid to Dep. Children Adm.	242.18
Aid to Dep. Children	10,687.71
Old Age Asst. Adm.	675.58
Old Age Asst.	24,603.93
Welfare Department	5,279.94
School Department	50,297.15
School Building Roof	1,410.00
Library	598.56
Park Department	1,246.52
Memorial Day	200.00
War Bond Fund	3,000.00
Skating Rink	300.00
Insurance	656.87
Memorial Park	34.90
Town Clock	400.52

American Legion Post	300.00
Service Board Maintenance	76.52
Water Department	7,853.89
Water Extension	1,187.61
Cemetery Department	1,594.54
Debt and Interest	8,396.23
Taxes	7,211.70
Refunds	265.23
Trust Funds	1,972.58
Withholding Tax	5,801.75
Dog Licenses for County	478.20
Total Payments	<hr/> \$186,281.08

TRIAL BALANCE

Cash Balance		Emergency Fund	\$711.49
Outstanding Taxes		Withholding Tax	1,758.60
Water Rates		Machinery Fund	2,470.20
Water Liens		Cemetery Trust Funds	462.50
		Dog Tax Due County	5.40
		Stand Pipe Balance	24.06
		Water Extension Balance	2,614.15
		Taxes Reserved till Collected	4,794.86
		Water Rates Reserved till Collected	1,178.74
		Water Liens Reserved till Collected	97.00
		Garbage Collection Reserve	237.50
		Repairing Clock Reserve	249.48
		Free Cash Balance	55,978.64
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			\$70,582.62

The foregoing is an accurate account of the financial transactions of the Town of Millis for the year ending December 31st, 1945.

L. J. REARDON,
Town Accountant

OUTSTANDING DEBT JANUARY 1, 1946

Note Number	Amount	Date Due	First Period Interest Amount Date Due	Second Period Interest Amount Date Due
School Building	Issued June 1, 1931		Rate of Int. 3½%	Sold to Merchants National Bank
300, 301, 302				
303, 304 305	6,000.00	June 1, 1946	105.00 June 1, 1946	105.00 Dec. 1, 1946

WATER TANK LOAN SOLD TO NATIONAL SHAWMUT BANK RATE OF INT. 2%

Number of Notes	Amount	Date Due	Interest	Date Due	Interest	Date Due
340	\$1,000.00	Jan. 1, 1946	\$30.00	Jan. 1, 1946	\$20.00	June 1946
341	1,000.00	Jan. 1, 1947	20.00	Jan. 1, 1947	10.00	June 1947
342	1,000.00	Jan. 1, 1948	10.00			

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
and

Superintendent of Schools



TOWN OF MILLIS

for the

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1945

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. John J. Clancy, Chairman	Term Expires 1947
Mrs. Kenneth H. Ramsdell, Recording Secretary	Term Expires 1948
Mr. Robert W. McDonough	Term Expires 1946

Regular meeting held third Wednesday of each month
at 8:00 P. M. in the High School Building.

Superintendent of Schools

E. PERLEY EATON

35 Green Street, Medfield	Home Tel. Medfield 358
	Office Tel. Medfield 22

Secretary of School Department

PAULINE GEHMAN

Office, Medfield High School

Office Hours: 8:30 A. M. to 4:00 P. M.

Principal

CLYDE F. BROWN

Attendance Officer

JOHN SULLIVAN

School Physician

ROBERT GRANDFIELD, M. D.

School Nurse

MYRTLE COLDWELL, R. N.

Janitors

JOHN SULLIVAN

ARTHUR WATSON

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1946

Open: January 2
February 25
April 22

Close: Februray 15
April 12

Graduation date:

Elementary grades close June 14, 1946.

The closing date for the Junior-Senior High School will be announced later dependent upon the completion of 180 school days.

School Holidays: January 1, February 22, Good Friday (March 19), April 19, May 30, October 12, November 21, 22, November 11.

No School Signal: Fire Alarm 22, at 7:30 A. M.

MILLIS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL FACULTY 1945-46

Name	Subject	Degree	Date App't'd.	Education
Eaton, E. Perley	Superintendent	B.S., M.A. M.Ed.	1943	Tufts, Harvard, Boston U.
Brown, Clyde F.	Principal	B.S.	1924	University of Vermont
Welch, Frederick J.	Assistant Principal	B.S., M.Ed.	1935	Mass. State College, Boston U.
Hilferty, Frank J.	Sciences	B.S., M.Ed.	1942	Bridgewater S. T. C., Boston U.
Montori, Mary E.	French, Latin	A.B.	1945	Smith College, Middlebury
Blom, Rose M.	Social Studies	A.B.	1941	Boston Univ.
Clancy, Mary K.	Math., Chemistry	A.B.	1935	Emmanuel College
McCarthy Mary H.	Commercial	M.Ed., B.S.	1940	Boston Univ.
O'Donnell, Madeline	Commercial	M.Ed., B.B.A.	1925	Boston Univ.
Welch, Mary A.	English	A.B.	1936	Regis College
Tuck, Phyllis	Grades 6, 7, 8		1944	Fairmont S. T. C., W. Va.
Potenza, Joseph	Grades 6, 7, 8	B.S.Ed.	1944	Holy Cross
MacFarland, Bertha	Grades 6, 7, 8		1945	Bridgewater S. T. C., Wellesley College
Cole, Wilmae L.	Grades 6, 7, 8		1935	Posse-Nissen

MILLIS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL FACULTY 1945-46—CONTINUED

Name	Subject	Degree	Date App't'd.	Education
Conroy, Katherine	Grade 5		1945	Salem T. C.
Brennan, Helen A.	Grade 4		1926	Worcester S. T. C. Framingham S. T. C.
Horan, Ellen R.	Grade 3		1920	Chandler Secretarial
Enegren, Sybil A.	Grade 2	A.B.	1938	Wheaton College
Fernald Ruth A.	Grade 4		1945	Framingham S. T. C.
Hardy, Margaret L.	Grade 1	B.S.	1943	Framingham S. T. C.
Coldwell, Myrtle A.	School Nurse	R.N.	1942	Mass. Memorial Hospital
Clark, Lorraine	Kindergarten		1945	Lesley School
Lovely, Ethel	Music	B.S.	1945	Conservatory of Music

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Millis:

We submit herewith our report for the year 1945.

Millis can again consider itself fortunate inasmuch as during the past year, the last in a series of war years, most of the key teaching positions have continued to be held by experienced personnel. This is reflected in the many successful graduates, the only true criterion useful in evaluating a school system. We were very glad to welcome Mr. Frederick J. Welch when he returned from the Army Air Corps. He has been re-appointed to the teaching staff and assigned Assistant Principal in charge of the Junior High School program, a position of the utmost importance. Two other men having military leaves are expected to return to the faculty during 1946.

The Committee recognizes the vital need for child guidance throughout the 12 grades, particularly in the Junior High School. It is hoped that parents having children at this age will meet with the teachers in the interest of guiding their children along pursuits best suited to their individualities.

Table I shows the way the school dollar was spent during the past year, the reimbursements from the State, and the net cost of the school to the town.

Table I

**FINANCIAL REPORT
MILLIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

**How the School Dollar Was Spent
December 31, 1945**

Supt. and Control	\$ 1,411.38	2.80 cents
Principal's Salary & Office Ex.	3,538.55	7.05
Supervisors' Salaries	1,390.00	2.76
Teachers' Salaries:		
Elementary	11,605.00	23.05
High School	18,034.38	35.90
Physical Education	431.05	.86
Textbooks:		
Elementary	498.64	.99
High School	332.42	.67

Supplies:

Elementary	436.29	.87
High School	626.37	1.24
Janitors' Salaries	3,773.80	7.50
Janitors' Supplies	333.37	.66
Fuel	1,977.25	3.91
Electricity	874.08	1.74
Insurance	769.28	1.53
Repairs	1,610.38	3.20
Library	42.35	.08
Health	802.42	1.59
Bus Care and Gasoline	573.13	1.14
New Equipment	1,236.97	2.46
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	\$50,297.21	100.00 cents

NET COST OF SCHOOLS 1945

Expenditures by School Department		\$50,297.21
Reimbursements by Commonwealth:		
School Fund, Part I	\$3,690.00	
School Fund, Part II	3,565.43	
Tuition State Wards	391.34	
Union Supt. of Schools	483.33	
	<hr/>	8,130.10
NET COST		<hr/>
		\$42,167.11

(This reimbursement is over 16% of total cost of schools)

Table II is a summary of the major school department expenditures for the past 12 years. It will be noticed that during that time there has been a rather large increase in the total appropriation, most of which has been absorbed as salaries. This is justifiable and the teachers are far from overpaid at the present time. On the other hand, it is evident that there has been no substantial increase in either repairs or new equipment items to compensate for an aging building. This, plus the fact that hardware and plumbing supplies have not been readily available during the last few years has resulted in the accumulation of major repair projects. Almost every outside door needs replacing and new hardware, a large amount of plumbing is urgent, and the general repairs needed around the building are all out of proportion to even an extravagant maintenance budget. Most people will agree, however, that it is not good business policy to let a \$150,000 plant run down in the interest of saving a few thousand dollars each year.

A study of 120 towns in Massachusetts having under 5000 population has disclosed that Millis could include considerable more money in their school appropriation before even approaching the cost per capita for the median of these towns. It is well to remember that town development is centered around a good school.

The School Committee recommends the appropriation of \$55,397.50 for school purposes for 1946.

Table II
SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Year	Years After Add.	Total Expend.	Salaries	Total Minus Salaries	Repairs	New Equip- ment
1933	2	\$34,600	\$21,980	\$12,620		
1934	3	36,000	23,490	12,510		
1935	4	36,950	24,070	12,880		
1936	5	37,000	24,550	12,450	\$1073	
1937	6	37,924	25,131	12,793	807	\$95
1938	7	41,499	26,852	14,647	1053	340
1939	8	42,340	28,011	14,229	1169	696
1940	9	43,000	29,440	13,560	1011	73
1941	10	44,898	30,198	14,700	2047	556
1942	11	45,929	31,831	14,098	692	415
1943	12	45,995	31,791	14,204	994	221
1944	13	48,799	33,316	15,483	1173	120
1945	14	50,300	34,229	16,071	1610	1237

At the annual town meeting in 1942, the citizens of Millis appropriated a sum of money for the purchase of a new school bus. It was impossible at that time to obtain a bus because of government restrictions. The School Committee recommends the appropriation of \$3400 for purchase of a new bus in 1946.

The minimum entrance age continues to be 5 years 8 months. A child must be 6 years of age before January 1, 1947, to enter the first grade this fall.

We thank the superintendent, principal, faculty and all those who in any way contributed to make this past year a successful one.

Respectfully submitted,

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

John J. Clancy

Elsie I. Ramsdell

Robert W. McDonough

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of the Town of Millis:

I hereby submit my third annual report as Superintendent of Schools for the year ending December 31, 1945. Following, there are several reports from the various school departments which will explain in detail the work accomplished in the various fields.

THE MILLIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL READING PROGRAM

All of us who work with the students in the elementary school feel that the reading program is of the greatest importance. In every group of children entering the first grade, there are some who lack maturity sufficient for immediate success in learning to read. Others of the group are ready to read, and some are able to read quite well when they arrive.

It is our hope that a definite program can be worked out so that every child will be able to have the proper reading instruction. It is very difficult for one teacher to handle from 35 to 40 pupils of about seven years of age, and teach them reading when there are four distinct levels of reading ability in the class. It is our hope that a reading readiness program can be worked out in connection with our kindergarten class, so that all pupils entering the first grade will be ready for the reading program.

In a recent issue of the Massachusetts Educational News organ of the Department of Education, the features of an adequate reading program for elementary grades are outlined. Some of the points follow:

1. Proper provision for reading readiness training.
2. A well organized reading system. (At Millis we use the Gates Reading System).
3. Strict and careful attention to every child's progress, according to individual ability in:
 - a. Adequate sight vocabulary.
 - b. Independence in work recognition.
 - c. Ability to get meaning from material read.
4. Oral reading taught for its own values.

5. A testing program. (There is a need for a testing program in the Millis School. There is a final test made in reading for grades 3, 4, 5, and 6. There should be a place for an intelligence test, a reading readiness test, and tests insuring the development and maintenance of reading scales.)
6. Understanding the varied aims, possibilities, and methods of reading.
7. Provision for individual variation within each grade. Tests show that the average grade has a span of 4 or 5 grades in reading ability. Children should read what they can read, hence much material at different levels should be supplied. (In Millis, we are limited to books of about the same grade level. However, Millis teachers exchange books to take advantage of this condition.)
8. Special provision for seriously retarded. (In Millis there is a need for special helping teacher for some students who are very much retarded.)
9. A large, varied, and attractive assortment of books for supplementary reading. (We need extra reading books that are clean and inviting, story and picture books, and books that supplement units being carried on by the children.)
10. Reading in an integrated program.

All of us do hope that a satisfactory and efficient reading program can be developed with the means available to produce better reading in the Millis Schools. Reading is very important, and I wish to repeat what was said in the report of 1943: "Reading is the most important subject in the grade school work, as all other school work is dependent upon the ability to read for meaning in other textbooks."

TRAINING IN SERVICE FOR MILLIS TEACHERS

Last spring, in connection with the Medway School Department and the School Departments of Westwood, Medfield, and Norfolk, a series of lectures on Intercultural Relationships was given. This was in keeping with the general program of the Governor's Committee for the promotion of a better understanding of religious and racial tolerance.

The viewpoints of the three major faiths, Protestantism, Catholicism, and Hebrewism were presented by leaders of the

three faiths, namely, President Everett Herrick of the Andover-Newton Theological School, Father Michael J. Ahern of Weston College, and Rabbi Levi A. Olan of Worcester, Massachusetts. The course was completed by Miss Doris Boyd of the Chelsea School Department, a practical teacher, who showed us how to put the material into everyday classroom use.

This fall, in keeping with the principle of In Service Training, arrangements were made with the Boston University School of Education, for a course entitled "The Elementary School," which elementary teachers of Millis are attending for 15 weeks. This is a practical course dealing with everyday teaching procedures in the elementary school. There are several instructors who have stressed more particularly the fields of reading, social study, geography, the consideration of teaching units, and mental and physical health of the school child.

College credit is granted for this course, and many of our teachers may continue to take other courses as they may be offered, and in the near future receive a degree from Boston University. It is the hope of the School Department that from this in-service training, the work of the teachers in the classroom will be improved, thus benefitting the children of the school.

KINDERGARTEN, CAFETERIA, AND SUMMER SCHOOL

With the start of school in September, two new features were added to the usual functions of the School Department, namely, the kindergarten and the cafeteria. Lorraine Clark was selected to teach in the kindergarten. Twenty-nine preschool children have had rather regular attendance in the kindergarten. From my observation, the work of the kindergarten has been excellent. The children have enjoyed the work and have learned how to work and study in groups. They have learned many other items which will help them greatly in the first grade.

In consideration of the kindergarten and the reading program, it might be advisable to require all children of this age group to be present for a period of some six to ten weeks to study reading readiness so that they would be ready to read, falling in line with our hope for an adequate reading program as mentioned previously.

The School Department, knowing the need and realizing that the children of Millis should have a good lunch at a reasonable price, conferred with the agents of the State and National Lunch Program. To take advantage of the Government subsidy, it was necessary for the School Department to do certain things, namely arrange a suitable cafeteria, buy certain equipment, and select a cook to prepare the food.

In September the lunch program started. The school furnishes the pupil with a dinner sufficient to give 1/3 the food requirements of a growing child, consisting of a glass of fruit juice or soup, a sandwich, and a bottle of milk for 10c. The Government pays 7c as subsidy on each one of these meals served. The number served at Millis ranges from 175 to 250 per day, (40 to 58%), which is a very good percentage. Many of the other children supplement sandwiches brought from home with pure pasteurized milk at a cost of 3c per half pint bottle, the Government paying the other 2c. It is our hope that within a short while we will be able to serve hot lunches, including meat, potato, vegetable, two slices of buttered bread, and milk for 15c. The Government subsidy in this case is 9c. In other words, the pupil may have a good substantial dinner for 15c.

In July the Union School Committee established a Summer School. The purpose of the school was to help pupils, who had fallen behind their classes in arithmetic, language, and reading. About 25 pupils of grades 5, 6, 7, 8 took advantage of this 3 weeks course. Many of these students were able to continue with their classes because of the work accomplished at the summer school. The teachers were Miss Mary Clancy and Miss Olive Day.

Table III
COST OF SCHOOLS*

June 30, 1945

Towns having High Schools and less than 5000 population—120 towns from Leicester with 4851 to New Salem with 357 population.

Millis: Town number 185—There are 60 towns larger in State with 5000 population or less.

		Millis	High	Med.	Low
Population	2,278				
Valuation	\$2,793,905				
Value per Capita	\$1.226		\$3.535	\$1.181	\$452.00
Pupils enrolled	453				
Teacher load (1945)		24.9	31.6	23.3	14.3
General					
Control	\$1,513	3.0%	9.6%	4.9%	1.6%
Salaries (In-					
struction)	35,183	70.8%	72.9%	61.0%	44.5%
Textbooks	828	1.7%	5.7%	1.6%	.5%
Supplies	939	1.9%	6.7%	2.1%	.2%
Janitors	2,753	5.5%	12.1%	6.6%	3.5%
Fuel	1,868	3.8%	9.6%	4.0%	1.0%
Repairs	2,645	5.3%	11.9%	2.6%	.2%
Health	743	1.5%	4.9%	1.5%	.0%
Transp.	1,669				
Total for					
Support	49,663				
Tax Rate	31.00 per 1,000		\$52.60	\$30.60	\$17.00
Cost per pupil—Total		76.38	153.19	91.61	55.05
(Elem.) Teacher Sal.		55.64	101.02	57.65	33.68
Janitors		4.04	17.73	6.98	2.36
Supplies		70.	5.16	1.67	0.08
Textbooks		1.25	4.77	1.76	0.31
Cost per pupil					
(High)—Total		157.20	339.92	175.55	94.24
Teacher Sal.		115.18	242.35	114.27	59.88
Janitors		9.36	29.23	11.21	3.20
Supplies		3.98	(21.00)	4.69	0.24
Textbooks		2.78	9.66	2.90	0.44

This shows conclusively that the Budget for Millis is too low.

Teacher's Salaries is 70.8% of total Budget—while only two other towns have more (Holbrook 72.9% and Avon 72.7%). However in cost of pupils, Millis is below the median at \$55.54 with median at 57.65 for elementary and just \$0.89 above the middle cost per High School pupil. The 75 percentile for teachers' Salaries High School is \$139.67, so Millis is well down at about the median. Therefore, this proves that in the salary item above the Millis budget should contain 61.0% of the total budget. This Millis budget should be about (to be right) \$59,000 rather than \$50,800 to be at median of towns. This indicates that the teachers are not overpaid in comparison with these 120 towns.

*Figures obtained from State Federation of Teachers.

PARENT ORGANIZATION

A parent organization consisting of the parents, especially those of the grade school children is advisable. It is very necessary for the school department and faculty, to keep in touch with the parents of the children to discuss with them their mutual problems and find solutions for these problems.

It is hoped that it will be possible to have the parents of the grade school children attend a meeting to discuss the subjects of the grade school, the cafeteria, its functions in the school, reading and its place in the child's life, and many other topics, so that a better understanding may develop. Then both the parent and the teacher will be better able to understand the youngsters.

I feel that both the parents and the teachers are desirous of such an organization, but do not know how to start. Let us hope that the parents and teachers will be able to get together and at regular intervals discuss their mutual problems.

THE TEACHER SITUATION IN THE STATE AT LARGE

For three years previous to last September, there was a distinct scarcity of high school teachers. The lack of teachers at this level was caused by several reasons; namely, the drafting of men teachers, the enlistment of women teachers, the higher wages offered by defense plants, and the marriage and moving away of other teachers.

However, with the close of the war, men from industry and the armed forces wish to return to public school teaching. Others, who had no chance to teach, but had graduated from college and are now returning and are looking for teaching positions.

It can definitely be said that the conditions on the high school level are improved, and more men are available now than at any time during the last four years.

In the elementary field, the situation is acute. During the early war years, many former married teachers returned to the elementary classrooms. We are losing elementary teachers for several reasons: More attractive positions in their home town or city, better paying positions in larger towns and cities, and the return of a soldier who has married an elementary teacher causes the loss of this teacher when it is impossible to find a home in our community. Girls, rather than entering the Teachers' Colleges during the war years, took good paying positions in offices and defense plants; therefore, there are very few replacements graduating from the State Teachers' College, and states as far away as Oregon are bidding for our Teachers' College graduates.

Here, at Millis, we should feel very happy to think that in spite of the teacher shortage, we have been able to carry on with a rather high standard of teaching in spite of a state-wide teacher shortage. With the coming of another year and with the possible loss of teachers in the elementary school, the School Department wonders how replacements can be made.

HEALTH EXAMINATIONS AND SAFETY EDUCATION

At a recent conference of Superintendents of Schools and members from the Department of Public Health, the matter of physical examinations was discussed seriously. It was the consensus of opinion that physical examinations should be long enough to give a definite answer to the pupil's physical needs, that they should be given in the presence of the parents, and a discussion should take place between the school doctor and the parents, to discuss the corrective steps necessary. It was also thought that a thorough physical examination occasionally was of more importance than an examination every year.

We hope in the future that the parents will be closer to the school health department in connection with the annual physical examination.

There is great need for safety education in all schools. In Millis we have been fortunate in having close cooperation with the Registry of Motor Vehicles, which in the spring of the year, gave an illustrated talk on the hazards of the highway. The Board of Selectmen recently made it possible for a man to be present before the opening of the school and at the close of school to see that the children were safely across the highway. The teachers in all the grades have emphasized safety education—automobile, fire, swimming, etc. Mr. Hilferty in the High School has given a course in the driving of the automobile to our pupils, as the students become 16, hoping in this way we can make Millis a safer community.

We do hope that the parents will cooperate with us in bringing home to the pupils the need of care in walking to and from school, or to and from other homes or stores. The death rate from automobile accidents is increasing, and we do not want to be recorded as a town who has lost a child.

In closing this, my third report, may I express my appreciation to the School Committee for their confidence and help; to the Principal, teachers, supervisors, and janitors, who continued to help me in directing the educational activities of this community.

Respectfully submitted,

E. PERLEY EATON

Superintendent of Schools

MILLIS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I am pleased to submit to you my annual report for the year 1945.

The following table shows the enrollment of our schools on October 1, 1945:

Elementary	Grade	Boys	Girls by Room by Grade		
Lorraine Clarke	Kind.	12	17	29	29
Margaret Hardy	1	21	11	32	32
Sibyl A. Enegren	2	21	17	38	38
Ellen R. Horan	3	14	14	28	28
Ruth A. Fernald	4	18	8	26 }	
Helen A. Brennan	4	12	12	24 }	50
Katherine H. Conroy	5	21	13	34	34
Total Elementary Grades		119	92	211	211
Junior High School					
Wilmae L. Cole	6	11	12	23 }	
Bertha McFarland	6	11	12	23 }	46
Phyllis H. Tuck	7	19	18	37	37
JJoseph Potenza	8	18	11	29	29
Total Jr. High School		59	53	112	112
Senior High School					
Mary K. Clancy	9	5	17	22 }	
Frank J. Hilferty	9	10	14	24 }	46
Mary H. McCarthy	10	19	10	29	29
Mary D. Welch	11	8	15	23	23
Mary E. Montori	12	9	11	20	20
Total Sr. High School		51	67	118	118

For the last four years we have sympathetically been watching our young men leave for military service. When boys become eighteen years of age they still are required to enter the service, but now the war is over there is a distinct change of attitude toward enlistment. Now we are more concerned with the returning veterans. A number of our Millis boys have returned. Some are trying to make the necessary

adjustment before going to work, some have gone to work at worthwhile jobs, some who have employment are taking a few subjects to complete the credits needed for a high school diploma, and some have decided to go to school or college full time as provided under the G.I. Bill of Rights.

The Massachusetts Department of Education is doing everything possible for the returning veteran to complete his education. Regional schools have been arranged at convenient central points throughout the State. Advisers and guidance directors are available in every community.

The Department of Education has devised the so-called Massachusetts Equivalency Certificate. This simply means that any man or woman of nineteen to twenty-five years of age who does not have a high school diploma can apply to the Department of Education for four tests; if successfully passed he received a certificate which places him on the same educational level as if he had received a high school diploma. The system for a person to acquire an Equivalency Certificate has been so carefully planned and worked out that it will be recognized by most colleges.

The Millis school system has had a stamp and bond day each Wednesday during the school year and this plan still is being continued. The money has been collected from each teacher's home room, and the stamps and bonds have been returned through the efforts and guidance of Miss Mary K. Clancy. During each War Loan Drive our pupils often with help from their families or friends have made the totals from all grades surprisingly large. I hope that parents and teachers will encourage buying stamps and bonds at every opportunity not only as a patriotic duty but as a very good way to instill habits of thrift and systematic saving. I want to thank Mr. Francis Sheehan and the rest of the Millis Post Office Force for the efficient manner in which they have handled our small and large transactions.

During the summer and fall our school experienced major changes in its teaching staff. Miss Mary L. Lewis, our fifth grade teacher for four years, joined the Arlington school system. Mr. Raymond A. Morel, teacher of arithmetic and science in the Junior High School, went to the Beverly Junior High School. Miss Helen Wyeth, music supervisor, went to Attleboro. Mr. Sidney Stewart, industrial arts instructor, went back to his own business in Needham. Mrs. Priscilla

Morton, household arts instructor, went to Wrentham High School. Soon after school opened in September Mrs. Hazel Reynolds Gleason resigned to teach the first grade in Franklin. Mrs. Elizabeth Sauer was secured as a new Junior High School teacher but she resigned on November 29, and Miss Ethel Lovely, the new supervisor of music, resigned on December 21, 1945.

Miss Lorraine Clark of Millis was elected teacher of the newly formed kindergarten. Mrs. Ruth A. Fernald of Medfield came as teacher of Grade Four. Mrs. Katherine H. Conroy of Norfolk is the new teacher of Grade Five. Mrs. Bertha McFarland of Dover is the teacher of arithmetic and science in the Junior High School. Mr. Frederick J. Welch who has been in the service of the United States Army for nearly three years returned on December 3, 1945, as Assistant Principal and in complete charge of the Junior High School, that is, Grades Six, Seven and Eight. Miss Florence Watson and Mrs. Ida May Clark are in charge of the cafeteria under our new system.

Members of the graduating class of 1945 have entered the service as follows:

Edward Shropshire—U.S.C.G.	Feb. 12
Gardner Rise—U.S.C.G.	Feb. 12
Richard Power—A.S.T.R.P.	Feb. 26
Julius Rosen—A.S.T.R.P.	Feb. 26
Donald Ingraham—U.S.C.G.	Feb. 28
Richard Newell—U.S.N.	Mar. 12
Ernest Brodeur—U.S.A.	Entered service after the close of school in June.
George Cassidy—U.S.A.	
James Handy — U.S.A.	

Members of the class who are going to college or others schools:

Stella Antosh	Hill's College, Woonsocket, R. I.
Ritajane Cancy	Regis College, Weston, Mass.
Shirley Clark	Mass. State College, Amherst
Priscilla Congdon	Boston University, Boston, Mass.
Elizabeth Cross	Fay School, Boston, Mass.
Edward Karaghlanian	Mass. State College, Amherst
Jean Lipsett	Higgins Machine School, Boston
Florence Murphy	St. Margaret's Hospital, Dorchester

Irene Nelson	Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, Mass.
Charlotte Olson	Felt & Tyrant, Comptometer School, Boston, Mass.
Elsie Richardson	Fisher School, Boston, Mass.
Betty Robinson	Felt & Tyrant, Comptometer School, Boston, Mass.
Mary Tamuleviz	Felt & Tyrant, Comptometer School, Boston, Mass.

The parents of the Seniors gave the class their annual trip in February, from the 18th to the 22nd, to allow all members to enjoy the trip before the boys began to leave for military service. The annual Senior Trip Dance was held on the Monday after aster, April 2. The class was chaperoned by Mr. Joseph H. Potenza and Miss Margaret Hardy.

This year Mr. Joseph Potenza and Miss Mary Clancy put on a very successful minstrel show, on April 27, after the close of the basketball season. We were fortunate in having the help of Mr. Stephen Bray of Holiston at the piano. At the time of the show there was a decided desire expressed to make this an annual activity of the school.

On May 4 the elementary grades presented their annual musical entertainment and operetta. The program was as follows:

Grade I

Songs:	
The Crocodile Song	Bounce, Bounce Ball
A Neat Little Clock	Tick Tock
Down by the Station	Rock-a-bye Baby
Rhythm Band:	
Tira Lira	Skaters' Waltz

Grade IV

The Arkansas Traveler	Song
The Generous Fiddler	Folk Dance
Tonette Band March	

Grade V

Mexican Flesta:	
Where the Roses	In the Plaza
Tambourine	Tango
Juanita	

Grades II & III

Operetta, in one Act:
Goldilocks and the Bears

On May 11 the Second Annual Spelling Bee for the towns of Medfield, Westwood, Norfolk, and Millis was held at Westwood High School. The spelling bee was well attended by parents and friends. Mrs. Frederick J. Welch acted as judge for Millis. Our plan calls for the Third Spelling Bee to be held in Millis in May, 1946. The Millis pupils who participated in 1945 are as follows:

Grade V

June Barrier
Jerome Brown
Alfred Gurner
Elizabeth Smith

Grade VI

Laura Mae Bennett
Patricia Brodeur
Samuel Gilfix
John Young

Grade VII

Libby Hershenson
Alice O'Donnell
Norman Olson
Justin Power

Grade VIII

Richard Brown
Janet Faris
Joanne Kilmain
Nancy Simpson

On May 18 the annual Junior Promenade and Senior Reception was an outstanding activity of the school year. The march was planned by Miss Joan Lipsett, Secretary of the Senior Class.

The Millis High School Graduation Exercises took place on Saturday evening, June 2. The parents of boys in service requested this date to try to make it possible for those boys to be present at their graduation. Richard Newell, stationed at Great Lakes, Michigan, was unable to attend.

On December 6 the Lions' Club of Millis held a dance in the High School Auditorium. The proceeds from the dance purchased a Massachusetts Visual Aid Kit for the school. Mr. Lawrence Reardon, President, presented the kit to the school, and Mrs. Robert W. McDonough, a member of the School Committee, accepted the kit for the School. Miss Myrtle Coldwell, school nurse, explained the use and value of such a kit in the school system.

The Senior Play, "Three Girls and Jeffrey," was presented by the class of 1946 on December 14. The class and Mrs. Welch can be congratulated on their excellent work. The characters were taken as follows:

Lamber, the butler	Thomas Moran
Jeffrey Dunsmore, a youth bachelor	John Newell
Anne }	Esther Simbol
Dorinda } the wrecking crew	Dorothy Christian
Sunny }	Gladys Mushnick
Trina Mellette, Jeffrey's fiancée	Mary Bison
Paul Marcal, a wealthy playboy	Austin Horowitz
Alicia Pomery, Trina's rival	Lorraine Stone
Pat Hendricks, who has a good line	Frank Hamm
Don Lonergan, a crooner	Ernest Ramsdell
Penelope }	Celia Antosh
Eileen } The Milby sisters	Helen Newell
Cathie }	Katherine Gagne

I wish to thank the Superintendent of School, the School Committee, the teachers, the janitors, and all others who have in any way contributed to the success of the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE F. BROWN,

Principal

ATHLETICS

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I am pleased to submit my report on athletics at Millis High School for 1945.

Basketball (Boys):

Fourteen boys reported for basketball and we played 15 games, winning 5 and losing 10. We were greatly handicapped by lack of transportation due to gas rationing.

This year's team was composed chiefly of boys who were inexperienced. Of the 14 boys that reported only 4 were seniors so we should have fairly good material for next year.

The following boys participated in basketball:

Donald Ingraham (Captain)	Ernest Ramsdell
Edward Karoghlanian	Seymour Doliner
Gardner Rice	James Ackroyd
Richard Power	Richard Harrison
Philip Tabarani	John Newell
William Simpson	Paul Hoffman
Richard Aulenback	Leon Antosh
Basketball (Girls):	

Nineteen girls reported for basketball. Of these 19, 8 were seniors and the whole squad played with a great deal of enthusiasm and spirit.

The following girls took part in basketball:

Joan Lipsett (Captain)	Helen Newell
Vivian Dean (Co-captain)	Katherine Gagne
Priscilla Congdon	Lorraine Stone
Ritajane Clancy	Mary Bison
Mary Tamuleviz	Gladys Mushnick
Shirley Clark	Marilyn McDonald
Florence Murphy	Lois Lipsett
Martha Murphy	Barbara Browne
Pauline Harcovitz	Evelyn Rice
Elizabeth LaCroix	

Baseball:

This year we entered the Tri-County League made up of the following teams: Hopedale, Bellingham, Medway, Medfield, and Millis. We played 15 games, winning 5 and losing 10. May boys worked in the afternoon and as a result could not practice, this hampered the team as they could not work together as an organized group except on days of the games. Several senior boys went into the service and as a result we had only one senior boy on the squad. The following participated in baseball:

Edward Karoghlanian	Seymour Doliner
Philip Tabarani	James Ackroyd
James Newell	Austin Horowitz
Richard Aulenback	William Simpson
Edward Simmons	Ralph Marcove
Nesbit Clark	Robert Granfield
Leon Antosh	

Football:

Nineteen boys reported for football practice. Our boys were light and inexperienced. Of the 19 boys 4 weighed less than 110 pounds and were not allowed to participate in any scrimmage or games. The team was badly handicapped due to lack of substitutes. On the whole, however, the boys co-operated with me and showed good spirit throughout the entire season. The following participated in football:

Ernest Ramsdell (Co-captain)	Paul Hoffman
Philip Tabarani (Co-captain)	Paul Mick
Frank Hamm	Robert Granfield
Austin Horowitz	Ralph Marcove
Seymour Doliner	Richard Aulenback
Joseph Cassidy	Edward Dmytryck
Fred Pollard	Russell Clark
Richard Harrison	Terrance Quarton
Edward Simmons	Samuel Mushnick

Evan Quarton

On April 27, 1945, a Minstrel Show was put on by the A. A. and it was a great financial aid. We wish to express our appreciation to "Stevie" Bray of Holliston for his generous and untiring assistance as adviser and pianist. The executive committee was as follows:

Directors	Mary Clancy
	Joseph Potenza
Program	Mary McCarthy
Dancing and Costumes	Phyllis Tuck
Assistant Pianist	Raymond Morel
Advertising	Philip Tabarani
Typing	Madeline O'Donnell
	Celia Antosh
Tickets	Mary Roy
	Ritajane Clancy
	Priscilla Congdon
Stage Manager	Edward Simmons

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH POTENZA

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE**To the Superintendent of Schools:**

This fall 421 pupils were given physical examinations by Dr. Grandfield. Again this year it was found that the chief defects were teeth and throats. Many of these children should have dental care at once. One often finds that poor teeth, poor general development and often poor scholastic standards go hand in hand. The same holds true of bad throats. The toxins poured into the system by diseased teeth and tonsils limit the child's ability to grow and develop properly and weaken his resistance to infections.

Poor posture continues high on the list in all age groups and shows the need of a physical education program in the school.

Five children were examined at the pre-school clinic and were found to be in good condition. This fall all the kindergarten children were examined and found to be in very good health.

This past year a Dental Clinic was held. Since it was very late in the year before we started, we were only able to hold 5 clinics. This year it is hoped that the needed dental work can be completed as our clinics will be held early enough to give ample time for all to be treated who so desire. During the clinic time, Dr. Herman Brown examined 197 children. The work completed included 23 cleanings, 64 restorations and 10 extractions. Again this year the work was sponsored by the Millis Red Cross.

The Diphtheria Immunization Clinic was held last spring and 11 children received protective inoculations.

This fall through the combined efforts of the Millis, Medfield and Westwood School Departments and the Millis Visiting Nurse Association an audiometer was purchased. This machine is used to test hearing and will be used jointly by the three schools. It is a worthwhile addition to the nurses' equipment and provides an accurate gauge for determining hearing loss. A test was done this winter and the results were good, but since there was not time enough to conduct a retesting of the questionable children, I have no figures to report at this time.

In December, the Lions' Club of Millis presented the Millis School Department with the Massachusetts Vision Test Kit. This kit is used to test the eyesight of children from kinder-

garten age through high school and is accepted by the medical profession as a very good guide in discovering vision defects. As soon as school opens for the new term, all the children will be given this test.

There were a few cases of contagious diseases in the school last year. This is largely due to the watchfulness of the teachers who report to me any child who does not appear well. It is also necessary to have the cooperation of the parents in keeping at home any child who shows symptoms of illness.

My thanks to all in the school who have aided me in carrying out a good school health program and to those who have provided equipment for the better interpretation of the child's physical condition.

Respectfully submitted,

MYRTLE A. COLDWELL,

School Nurse

MILLIS SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1945

Registration	5-6	7-16	Total
Boys	34	180	214
Girls	32	162	194
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Total	66	342	408

Distribution

In Public Schools	65	31	396
In Private Schools	1	3	4
In Vocational Schools	—	4	4
Not in School	—	4	4
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Total	66	342	408

**THE FORTY-SECOND GRADUATION EXERCISES
OF THE MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1945**

Saturday Evening, June 2, 1945, Eight O'clock

CLASS COLORS	Blue and Silver
CLASS FLOWER	American Beauty Rose
CLASS MOTTO	"Know Thyself"

PROGRAM

Processional	
The Star-Spangled Banner	Key
Invocation	
	Reverend John H. Hatt
Salutation	Gaines
	School Chorus
Salutation and Essay—Rudyard Kipling	
	Priscilla Congdon
Green Cathedral	Hahn
	Girls' Chorus
Class History	
	Edward Karoghlanian
Stouthearted Men	Romberg
	Boys' Chorus
Class Prophecy	
	James Handy
An Essay on Essays	
	Elizabeth M. Cross
Class Will	
	Stella Antosh
Sundown	Londonderry Air
Jubilate	Arr. by R. C. Wilson
Valedictory and Essay—A New Horizon	
	Shirley I. Clark
Sing	Gustav Holzel
Presentation of Class Gift	
	Donald Ingraham, President of the Senior Class
Acceptance for the School	
	John Newell, President of the Junir Class
America, My Own	Noble Cain

Presentation of Washington and Franklin Medal

Awarded by Massachusetts Society Sons of the American
Revolution for Excellence in United States History.

Mr. Clyde F. Brown, Principal

Presentation of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Award
for Excellence in the Sciences

Mr. E. Perley Eaton, Superintendent of Schools

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. John J. Clancy, Chairman of the School Committee

School Song Thuringian Folk Song

School Chorus

Gray is the peaceful night;
Day's closing brings it nigh—
Crimson which streaks the sky
In radiant light.
Those are our colors dear
Though we in numbers few,
To them we will be true
When far or near.

Each year we work and strive
To keep our ideals high
High as the distant sky
Each one alive.
Memories of happy hours,
Millis, thou school of ours,
Hear this our welcome lay,
Crimson and gray.

—Words by Ruth Richardson, '20

GRADUATES

Magna Cum Laude

Shirley Ida Clark

Cum Laude

James Kalel Handy	Norman Everett Ramsdell
Edward John Karoghlanian	Stella Antosh
Gardner Miller Rice	Priscilla Jane Congdon
Elizabeth May Cross	Elsie Ruth Richardson

Antosh, Stella	Clancy, Ritajane
Brodeur, Ernest Edward	Clark, Shirley Ida
Cassidy, George David, Jr.	Congdon, Priscilla Jane
*Clancy, George David	Cross, Elizabeth May
Colello, James Roger	Dazion, Harriett Helen
Handy, James Kalel	Dean, Vivian Catherine
*Ingraham, Donald Eugene	Derderian, Catherine Lucy
Karoghlanian, Edward John	Frink, Claire Shirley
Kerwin, Edward Peter	Lipsett, Jean Marie
*Newell, Richard Davis	Lipsett, Joan Shirley
Pearlstein, Harold	Mezzanotte, Rose Angel
*Power, Richard Martin	Murphy, Florence Therese
*Rice, Gardner Miller	Nelson, Irene Lorrayne
Ramsdell, Norman Everett	Olson, Charlotte Mae
*Rosen, Julius	Richardson, Elsie Ruth
*Shropshire, Edward	Robinson, Betty
Alexander	Simarrian, Beatrice
Smith, Edward Vincent	Tamuleviz, Mary Theresa
Winiker, Melvin Leon	Waite, Myrtle Louise

*In service about March 1, 1945.

**Granted a high school diploma for work completed in the U.S.M.C.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Feb. 11, 1946

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for one year, a Town Clerk for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, Two Constables for one year, One Selectman for three years, One member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, Two members of Planning Board for two years, Two members of Planning Board for three years, One Assessor for three years, One School Committeeman for three years, One Trustee of Public Library for three years, One Cemetery Commissioner for three years, One Park Commissioner for three years, One Sewer Commissioner for three years, One Tax Collector for one year, One Tree Warden for one year, One Water Commissioner for three years.

Article 2. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of law and order, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the money refunded by the County on account of Dog Licenses.

Article 5. To appropriate money for all necessary expenses, including a sum sufficient to pay all Town Officers' salaries.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for year of 1946, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Tree Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropri-

ate a sum of money for the use of the Board of Health, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission acting in conjunction with the State and County, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, said sum being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Service Board and the care of this Board to be placed in the hands of the Millis American Legion Post #208, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 723 of the Acts of 1945: "An Act authorizing the establishment and maintenance of Municipal Departments and of Districts for furnishing information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or other veterans," appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Mrs. Axel Johnson, Natick, Mass., Cemetery Trust Fund of October 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$50.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Mrs. Nina C. Oliver, Peabody, Mass., Cemetery Trust Fund of July 1945, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$100.00

Total \$150.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the collection and disposal of garbage, this sum to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Health Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make such transfers from the Highway Machinery Operating Fund as in their judgement is deemed necessary during the ensuing year and to use said funds for the purpose of repairing, maintenance, rental and purchasing of highway machinery, equipment and trucks, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used for the Home Coming Celebration to returning veterans, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of Gypsy Moth and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Leaf Beetle, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate \$500.00 to provide post quarters for the Millis Post #208, the American Legion (as provided under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 9, as amended by Acts of 1923, Chapter 122), or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the possibilities of a suitable memorial to those men of Millis who have given their lives in the Armed Forces of the United States, and to make a report on same at the next Town Meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to act with the Planning Board in investigating and planning of a Municipal Building and appropriate a sum of money for use in the preliminary work. A report to be made to the Town at a future meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for swimming instructions for the children of the Town of Millis, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1293.25 from the road machinery account to be used for road machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used for a reserve fund, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to revise Section 1 of Article 1 of the Town By-Laws to read: "The annual Meeting for the election of officers and such other matters as may be voted on the official ballot will be held on the second Monday of February, each year, and the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business will be held on the fourth Monday of February of each year," or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as a public street that part of Ridge Street, going through the Cemetery, laying between Auburn Road and the railroad tracks, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize

the Cemetery Commissioners to exchange with Loring A. Brown certain parcels of land now part of the Millis Cemetery and the Brown Farm, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the installation of electric lights in the Bandstand and on the Park Grounds, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the rebuilding of the Tennis Courts in the Town Park, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote that the Collector of Taxes be elected for a three year term, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to apply a tar surface on Causeway Street, as far west as Grove Street, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$561.00, said sum being the amount awarded by the County Commissioners for Land Damages in relocation of Acorn Street, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added and made part of the Town By-Laws:

"1. The Superintendent of Streets or other officer having charge of ways of the Town shall have the authority for the purposes of removing or plowing snow, removing ice, from any way in the Town, to remove, or cause to be removed, to some convenient place, including in such term a public garage, any vehicle interfering with such work.

"2. The owner of any such vehicle so removed shall be liable for the reasonable costs of such removal and stor-

age, and delivery of the vehicle to said owner may be withheld by the Superintendent of Streets or other officer having charge of ways in the Town, until such reasonable costs shall be paid.

"3. Whenever any vehicle is so removed the Police Department of the Town shall be notified and said department shall render all necessary assistance to the Superintendent of Streets or officer having charge of ways, in enforcing this By-Law.", or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to continue Railroad Avenue for a distance of approximately 250 feet, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to continue Acorn Street through from Village Street to Spencer Street, appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a school bus for the School Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 to be used for purchase of Highway Machinery and equipment, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of installing signal lights at the corner of Main and Plain Streets, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 40. To see if the Town will pass a By-Law prohibiting the stripping of loam or top soil from any land in the Town of Millis for commercial purposes not consistent with the proper use of the owner of the premises, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to renovate the first floor of the Millis Railroad Station so that it can be used as a Town Office and to purchase furniture and fixtures for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of victory bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the cash balance from various departments into the general cash, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Assessors to use the free cash balance in the Treasury in making up their tax rate, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

W. HAROLD SIMPSON,
HARRY N. WALKER,
MICHAEL E. COLLINS,

Selectmen of Millis



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